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Thatcher 'truly disarms' critics

LONDON, Jan. 1 (AP) — Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher called herself "a true dissembler" in a television interview Friday and said that if the Soviet Union doesn't withdraw its tanks from Poland, "we need have no U.S. Cruise or Pershing deployed here."

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"Most of us want disarmament on all sides in a way that is balanced. It is the government job to see the country is properly defended. You can never let down your guard," she said.

Troops patrol

NEW DELHI, Jan. 1 (R) — Police and troops maintained a tight grip on the riot-hit city of Trivandrum in southern India Saturday and Sunday. All India Radio reported that the situation there was under control.

Police reinforcements rushed to the southern state of Kerala late Friday night when street violence in Trivandrum, the regional capital, spread to the port of Cochin, 200 kilometers up the coast.

Britain's nationality act comes into force

LONDON, Jan. 1 (AP) — Britain's controversial nationality act, which spells out just who among the empire's multi-hued peoples is eligible for citizenship, took effect Saturday in a tangle of new rules that opponents call racist and supporters call sensible.

The act, a principal feature of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's election platform, creates three separate categories of British subjects to replace the old citizenship of the United Kingdom and colonies.

In so doing, it consigns some 4.5 million of her majesty's loyal subjects — most of them non-white, the majority in Hong Kong — to a limbo of citizenship without any right of living in mainland Britain.

It also ends the seven-century-old legal tradition of "its soil" or "right of the soil," by which any child born in Britain automatically was eligible for citizenship.

"We are doing nothing new in suggesting our citizenship should be given a better idea of where people actually belong," said Home Secretary William Whitelaw in January 1981 when the legislation was introduced in parliament. He called it a long-needed rationalization of the laws.

But opponents called it a blunt message to non-whites to keep out of the Britain mainland. "The act will result in injustice, greatly increase the number of stateless men, women and children, create uncertainties and feelings of insecurity and exacerbate racial tensions," said Archbishop of Canterbury Robert Runcie, spiritual leader of the established Church of England.

Adds Ann Dummet, whose action group on immigration and nationality vowed Saturday to fight the new law: "It is being seen even by people who won't be worse off as a gesture against them."

Under the new rules, all citizens of Britain, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man plus colonies "closely connected" with Britain become British citizens, with the right to live in Britain and pass this right on to their children.

By special vote, the 1,800 residents of the Falkland Islands were included in this category following the war last summer to reclaim the colony from Argentina. In an earlier vote Gibraltar — the disputed rock at the southern tip of Spain — and its 30,000 people gained the top status. The other two, lesser categories have no automatic right of residence.

Citizens of British dependent territories include some 3 million people in Hong Kong, Bermuda, Belize, the British Virgin Islands and a handful of other far-flung island and Antarctic territories.

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S. Indian city

A unit of 400 men from the tough border security force was sent to Cochin after an angry crowd of 1,500 persons attacked a police patrol there with stones, acid, flaming torches and fire-crackers, police sources said. Twelve persons, including nine policemen, were injured.

More reinforcements arrived Saturday morning and All-India Radio quoted the Cochin police chief as saying the town was now calm. But the Press Trust of India (PTI) news agency reported from Cochin that police were combing part of the town for arms.

In Trivandrum, where rampaging mobs set fire to more than 200 shops, market stalls, cars and houses Thursday, offices were open and life was getting back to normal in almost all districts except the commercial center.

Troops sent to quell the riots were patrolling sensitive areas of the town. The radio said the situation there was under control and there had been no fresh incidents.

The unrest was set off by the killing of a Muslim Tuesday when a religious procession clashed with police in the Kerala town of Alleppey. Protests in both Trivandrum and Cochin erupted into street fighting, with the police bearing the brunt of the attacks.

The violence came just ahead of local assembly elections the nearby south Indian states of Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh Jan. 5.

Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, campaigning in Andhra Pradesh, sent her adviser P.C. Alexander to Trivandrum for consultations with regional government officials.

Muslims are the third largest community in Kerala after Christians and Hindus.

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Violence rocks Harare

HARARE, Jan. 1 (R) — The new year dawned in an atmosphere of violence here Saturday with 6 white persons killed and two taken hostage by dissidents opposed to the government of Prime Minister Robert Mugabe.

The attacks took place on New Year's eve, a few hours before Mugabe appealed for a peaceful New Year in a nationwide broadcast — and promised death to the dissidents. The gunmen struck at about 11 a.m., police and relatives of the victims — all of them whites — reported.

They ambushed a car some 20 km (12 miles) west of Bulawayo, cutting down a white farmer, his children aged two and four, his brother-in-law, a friend and a black security guard, police said.

In the other attack, men calling themselves Zipra forces took well-known white farmer Benjie Williams, in his 70s, and his grandson David Bilang, 22, hostage some 100 km (60 miles) north of Bulawayo, relatives told reporters.

They demanded political concessions from Mugabe, just as had other gunmen calling themselves Zipra forces when they took six foreign tourists hostage five months ago. They too struck on the Victoria Falls-Bulawayo highway — as did Friday's killers.

Zipra is the guerrilla army of Matabeleland-based opposition leader Joshua Nkomo in the Rhodesian civil war which preceded Zimbabwe's independence in 1980.

The government blamed elements of Nkomo's ZAPU Party for a wave of violence over the past 10 months in Matabeleland which has claimed more than 100 lives, all but 15 blacks.

The trouble broke out after Mugabe sacked Nkomo from his coalition on allegations that he was plotting a coup. Top Nkomo military advisers, Lieutenant-General Masuku and Dumiso Dabengwa, were arrested and farms belonging to ZAPU confiscated by the state.

Relatives of Williams and Bilang said the pair had been forced to write a note saying they would be freed when Mugabe returned the confiscated property. It added the hostages would not be killed.

The men who took two British, two American and two Australian tourists hostage last July demanded the return of the property and the release of General Masuku and Dabengwa.

Banks on pullout talks

Gemayel pledges to free Lebanon

BEIRUT, Jan. 1 (AP) — President Amin Gemayel pledged in an address to the nation Friday night to restore Lebanon's sovereignty through the current negotiations with Israel and the United States for the withdrawal of all foreign armies from Lebanon.

These negotiations are aimed at reinstating Lebanon's sovereignty and the dignity of the Lebanese citizen," said the 40-year-old president in his address on Lebanon's national television station.

Asserting that no part of Lebanon's 10,492-square-kilometer (4,015-square-mile) territory would be abandoned, Gemayel said "Lebanon has not enough space for us. So how can we squeeze ourselves in part of it?"

He called on his four million countrymen to rally around their fledgling army, pledging that it would establish control over the whole of Beirut and the whole of Lebanon.

This was apparently as assurance to the nation's Muslim leaders that the army would shortly move into and establish control over Christian-populated East Beirut, where Christian militiamen of Gemayel's Phalangist Party still are in control.

Following last September's evacuation of the Palestine Liberation Organization from Muslim-populated West Beirut, the army launched massive raids on various Muslim neighborhoods and disarmed leftist militias that were allied with the PLO.

Muslim political and spiritual leaders have lately been outspokenly critical of the army's failure to take control of East Beirut despite the presence of a 14,200-man multinational force of American marines and French and Italian paratroopers supporting it.

"We shall forget soon about an east and west Beirut," said the Christian president. "The army will be in every Beirut neighborhood."

Gemayel said Israel's invasion of Lebanon last June had inflicted 10 billion Lebanese pounds (\$2.5 billion) worth of material losses, of which Beirut sustained two billion pounds (\$500 million) alone.

This, he said, compounded the treasury's accumulated deficit of 13.5 billion pounds

(\$4.3 billion) at a time when it needs to urgently provide 125,000 housing units for war-displaced citizens costing 30 billion pounds (\$7.5 billion).

Gemayel said Arab, European and other friendly nations would team up in 1983 with the World Bank and other banking institutions in a "Marshall-type plan to salvage the Lebanese economy."

Along with this, he said, he would soon set up a "national reconstruction fund" to which wealthy Lebanese immigrants and residents

would contribute, as well as friendly Arab countries.

"I am not scared by the monumental deficit or losses," Gemayel said. "We shall be capable of overcoming the financial problems as well as other problems. The reconstruction program will put into execution soon."

Gemayel's address was part of a 45-minute program, most of which consisted of film shot on location throughout Lebanon and featuring emotional appeals from local residents over better future.

"There is no water. There is no electricity. There is no telephone; if someone is ill, there is no hospital," a middle-aged woman said wearily, seated on a well-worn sofa in Lebanon's northernmost Akkar region.

This theme was repeated throughout the program, the words uttered by Muslim farmers in southern Lebanon, Druze elders in the Chouf mountains and Christian villagers in the north.

As if to underline the presence of foreign military forces in Lebanon, there were scenes from Tripoli in the Syrian-controlled north, Nabatiyah in the Israeli-occupied south and Baalbeck in eastern Lebanon where Iranian Revolutionary Guards have opened offices.

Islamic common market proposed

ISLAMABAD, Jan. 1 (R) — Turkey has proposed to Pakistan and other Islamic countries that an Islamic common market should be set up. Pakistani Finance Minister Ghulam Ishaq Khan said here Saturday when he returned from a visit to Turkey.

Khan, who attended meetings of a Pakistan-Turkish joint ministerial commission in Ankara, told reporters that Turkish Prime Minister Bulent Ulusu made the proposal when he met him earlier this week.

He said he agreed with Ulusu that Islamic countries should take prompt steps to strengthen their cooperation to achieve the goal of a common market.

Between Pakistan and Afghanistan, is due to resume talks on the issue on Jan. 18.

The Soviet Union is convinced that world tension can and must be reduced, but determined to consolidate the socialist community, the Soviet Supreme Council said in a message.

The message, which was also read on Radio Moscow by Vasily Kuznetsov, an alternate on the Communist Party Politburo, said the Soviet wish for peace was "immutable."

Western diplomats said the statement made clear that the Soviet Union expected measures to halt arms supplies to Afghan Mujahideen before Moscow made any concessions.

A statement by the official Soviet news agency Tass appeared aimed at ending speculation in the Western press that the new Kremlin leadership was preparing to put forward fresh policies aimed at solving the three-year-old conflict in Afghanistan.

"Certain politicians and organs of the press ... have been disseminating all sorts of allegations about the Soviet Union's policy toward Afghanistan," the statement said.

The statement reiterated the Soviet stance.

"The Soviet government has stated more than once that a limited military contingent has been introduced into Afghanistan on a temporary basis and will be withdrawn as soon as the external intervention ends," Tass said.

Tass said the path to a political settlement was open and talks being conducted through the medium of the United Nations could bring qualitative progress. But it added that it was necessary to conduct talks with the Kabul government.

Out-going Taipei envoy sees stronger bilateral cooperation emerging

By K.S. Ramkumar
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Jan. 1 — The new year brings in its wake a new era of bilateral cultural, economic and technical cooperation between the Republic of China and the Kingdom, according to Ambassador Yu-chi Hsueh.

The joint commission on cultural cooperation is likely to meet in March and economic and technical cooperation will be discussed in April, Hsueh said.

He told *Arab News* in an interview prior to his transfer to the Republic of Korea that the venues and dates for these conferences will be worked out soon.

Hsueh, who will be leaving soon to assume his new ambassadorial post after an eight-year stint here, said regular exchanges of scholars, professors and students between the two countries have been envisaged in the oncoming new era of cultural cooperation.

"Also, we'll hold a Saudi Arabian cultural week in our country and in exchange hold our week here," Hsueh said.

The joint commission on economic and technical cooperation will further solidify the mutual cooperation between the two countries and explore the prospects of coming closer still.

Hsueh mentioned that his country's joint venture fertilizer plant in Jubail has already been completed and will soon go into production with its existing 500,000-ton-a-year capacity.

"We have government-to-government cooperation on a commercial basis. We provide technical services as well," he said, adding that 10,000 of his country's workforce, including 3,000 permanent Muslim residents, live in the Kingdom."

Asked how trade grew between the two countries during his eight-year ambassadorial tenure, Hsueh said: "When I first arrived in the Kingdom early in 1975, the volume of two-way trade between the two countries at the end of the previous year already stood at \$196 million. It has since grown rapidly 12 times to \$2.4 billion at the end of 1981."

"The volume of import from his country alone has grown from \$60 million in 1974 to \$606 million in 1981, representing a 10-time increase," he said. "It's estimated to be around \$800 million when the final figures for the whole of the year are available."

The cooperation between the two countries covers a wide range of fields. The teams of the two countries are working closely together in the development of agriculture, industry, electric power, road transportation, science and technology. There is also cooperation in the more important medical services, education and culture fields.

"Chinese engineering companies are engaged in the construction of buildings, roads, highways, industrial estates and airport facilities in the Kingdom. China Airlines

W. Province phone performance tallied

JEDDAH, Jan. 1 (SPA) — More than 9,300,000 long distance calls were dialed from Saudi Arabia over the past 12 months.

Rabi Dahlan, Saudi Telephone and Telex director for the Western Province said Saturday. Local calls during the same period totaled 1,550,000,000. Inter-city calls came

Exploded water pipes inundate Taif street

TAIF, Jan. 1 — Three water pipes at a street of Al-Sharqiyah district exploded and inundated the area, filling and covering streets and flowing to the end of the street where Al-Murhanna ibn Haretha intermediate school is located *Al-Madinh* reported Saturday. Preliminary results of an inquiry showed that the pipes broke from the effect of rust and subterranean salts.

Women's library opened, men's section soon

TAIF, Jan. 1 — A women's library has been opened at King Faisal Hospital and another one strictly for men will be opened within the coming few days. *Okaz* reported.

Prince Khaled ibn Abdullah, the deputy commander of the National Guard for the Western Province, has given a large number

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King cables Numeiri

RIYADH, (SPA) — King Fahd have cabled Saturday president Jaffar Numeiri of Sudan on the occasion of Sudan's independence day. The King wished the president health and continued progress.

Abdullah receives Shaban

RIYADH, (SPA) — Crown Prince Abdullah ibn Abdul Aziz received here Saturday General Hameed Shaban, advisor to president Saddam Hussein.

Islamic delegates

MADINAH, (SPA) — The Chinese Islamic delegation visited the Islamic University here Saturday and met its secretary-general Omer Muhammad Fallata. During the meeting the help the university can offer in establishing the Islamic center in Taipei and three mosques in various Chinese cities were discussed. The delegation inspected the university's activities and facilities.

Donations Committee

RIYADH, (SPA) — A donations committee for collecting donations for the victims of the earthquakes in Yemen has been established in Zulfi town at the directions of Prince Salman, governor of Riyadh.

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AMBASSADOR HONORED: The Chinese community honored departing Ambassador Yu-Chi Hsueh left, during ceremonies which took place on Friday night and at which the ambassador gave a brief history of the Republic of China and said farewell.

Pakistan team arrives today

By Suresh Shah
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Jan. 1 — For the first time, a five-member delegation of leading potato traders and farm owners from Pakistan will arrive in Dhahran on Sunday for a nine-day export promotion tour of the Kingdom, according to Pakistan Embassy Commercial Attaché Jalees Siddiqui.

He told *Arab News*, the mission will be in the Kingdom until Jan. 10 and will meet importers at Dhahran, Riyadh, Madinah, Jeddah and Makkah to collect orders.

They will leave Dhahran on Jan. 4 for

60 percent of 'floating equity' offered for public subscription

RIYADH, Jan. 1 — More new companies shares will be floated for public subscription. Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Zamil deputy commerce minister told *Al-Jazeerah* Saturday.

On the top of the list there are a drugs company, national industries companies and agricultural marketing companies. Al-

Riyadh, where they will stay on Jan. 5-6, in Madinah on Jan. 7 and Jeddah and Makkah on Jan. 8-10.

The mission is on a month-long tour of various Middle East countries and after completion of Kingdom's visit they will go to Kuwait, Bahrain, Abu Dhabi, Dubai and Qatar," Siddiqui added.

He said potatoes were previously not allowed to be exported from Pakistan because of the local need. But its export was permitted within prescribed limits three years ago and during the last two years there have been no restrictions on potato exports.

The deputy minister went on to say that

he hopes more and more citizens will subscribe for some 60 percent of the shares will be allotted to the public.

King Fahd's participation seen as peace harbinger

RIYADH, Jan. 1 (SPA) — King Fahd's participation in the non-aligned summit due to be held in March in New Delhi will give new momentum to the movement's efforts to resolve longstanding issues in the Middle East by peaceful means, an Indian official was quoted as saying in an interview published Saturday.

Romesh Bhandari, undersecretary for foreign affairs, told *Al-Bilad* that the summit would review the Middle East question, the security and stability of the Indian Ocean, African problems and the Kampuchea issue as well as the north-south dialogue.

He praised King Fahd's political weight in international forums and his political role in

GCC keen on quick end of Gulf war

RIYADH, Jan. 1 (SPA) — Member states of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) will continue their untiring efforts to bring about a peaceful settlement to the Iraq-Iran conflict, the council's Secretary-General Abdallah Bishara was quoted as saying in an interview published Saturday.

He told *Al-Madinh* that all six GCC states were keen to find a quick end to this war of attrition in order to preserve the common interests of the states of the region.

"Moreover, the continuation of the war will provide an easy opportunity for foreign powers to intervene in the domestic affairs of the region," he added.

Bishara who visited Tunisia recently said that his trip came in response to an invitation extended to him by the Arab League secretary-general Chedli Klibi to exchange views on areas of cooperation between the two organizations.

During the visit, Bishara said, it was agreed to exchange trips, studies and information. Also the two organizations should work toward adopting similar stands that are of concern to the Arab world and that should be arranged the secretariats of the two organizations.

Another goal of the visit, Bishara went on, is to see to the developments of the Arab League and how to strengthen the ties between the two.

solving important international issues. Bhandari said the Indian government understood the importance of pursuing efforts to settle the Middle East problem and enable the Palestinian people to recover their usurped rights.



(Photo by Gianni Pascarella)

WINTER PLUMAGE: The mid-day sun peeps through the branches of a fully grown palm tree at Corniche here. The tree demonstrates what the final effect of the afforestation movement, which is currently on, could be.

Killer beheaded

NAJRAN, Jan. 1 (SPA) — A murderer was sentenced to death here Friday. An interior ministry announcement said that Yahia ibn Ali Khawlani, a Yemeni, was beheaded for killing Ali ibn Jaffar over a dispute between them.

SR.1.8m allotted for improving mosques

DAMMAM, Jan. 1 (SPA) — SR.1.8 million has been allotted by the Minister of Pilgrimage and Endowments, Abdul Wahhab Al-Wasei, for fencing and leveling the two praying areas in Qatif and Oaisounah. Two national companies will handle the job.

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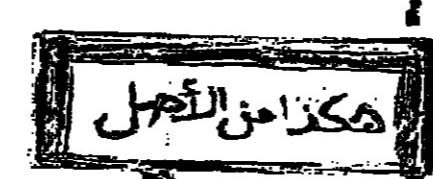
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Electronic leaders plan latest product display

By SURESH SHAH

Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Jan. 1 — Al-Harithy Company has organized its first Middle East Electricity and Electronics Exhibition at the Jeddah Expo Center on Feb. 5-9, according to the company's Exhibition Division Manager George Chamieh.

He told *Arab News*, "It will be as big as the recent Middle East Construction Exhibition held at the same place and over 90 percent of the space in all the five pavilions has been booked so far by leading manufacturers and distribution of related products from the United States, Western Europe, the Middle East and Far Eastern countries."

They will display, under one roof and at one time, products ranging from heavy electrical generating plants to microchips, all the latest developments.

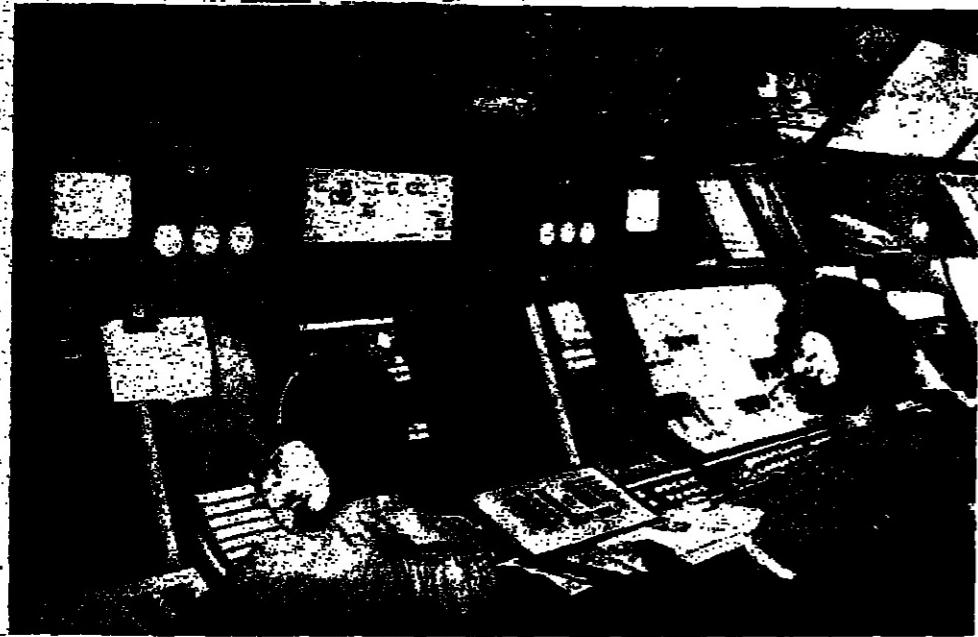
The exhibits are expected to include radio communications; telephony and telegraphy; data communication; optical fiber transmission antennas; aerospace, marine, defense systems; radio and television broadcasting;

sound and vision equipment; measurement and test systems; data processing; alarm and security systems; industrial electronics; computers; word processors; facsimile; components and sub-assemblies.

"This exhibition follows the success of the Middle East Electricity Exhibition organized for the first time at the center in February 1981," Chamieh explained. "Over 200 leading companies from 16 countries took part and attracted a specialist audience of 11,000."

Thirty-seven companies and organizations from Britain will occupy a total net stand space of 770 square meters, will take part in the exhibition as a joint display arranged by the British Electrical and Allied Manufacturers Association in cooperation with the British Overseas Trade Board.

There will be seven subsidiaries of the General Electric company stand. The association will mount an information stand to assist visitors and advise on trade inquiries. Exhibits from the British group will range from control systems to cables of various kinds.



ELECTRONIC TECHNOLOGY: Latest electronic products and technology appropriate for the fast developing Saudi Arabian market will be on display at the Jeddah Expo Center on Feb. 5-9.

Ambitious development programs provide vast, rewarding markets

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Jan. 4 — The Ambitious development programs and tremendous financial resources of Saudi Arabia and the surrounding states provide one of the most rewarding markets in the world for electronics manufacturers and their infrastructure lends itself readily to the absorption of electronics technology.

This is particularly true in the case of Saudi Arabia, which is currently implementing a \$235 billion Third Five-Year Development Plan 1980-85. This plan provides for the continued development of major projects in every sector, creating a growing requirement for electronics, notably in projects involving telecommunications, information, the expansion and diversification of industry, the development of administrative services and the corresponding expansion of private sector business.

The Kingdom plans to have installed up to 2.8 million telephone lines by 1990 compared with 200,000 by 1978. It also plans to have completed the world's first nationwide Stored Program Control (SPC) telephone system by that time.

Development of the telex network will be equally impressive, rising from less than 5,000 lines in 1978 to 30,000 lines by 1985. In cooperation with its neighbors, Saudi Arabia will be proceeding with other major telecommunications projects including \$230 million Arabsat project and the intra-Gulf coaxial cable system.

The ministries and security services are now taking advantage of electronics technology to streamline administrative procedures and in 1981 work began on a new National Computer Information Center. The central data bank of this establishment will be linked to regional centers in Jeddah, Taif, Abha, Damman, Buraidah, Arar and Tabuk.

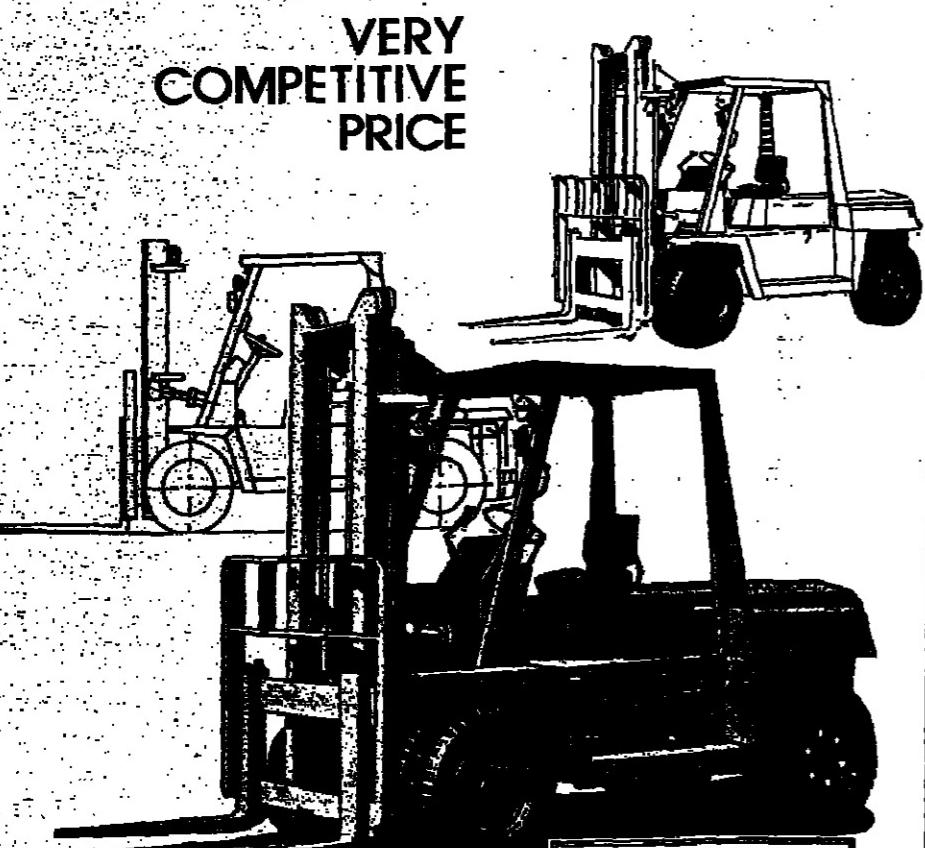
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ISLAMIC PUBLISHERS: The executive committee of Islamiya for Publishing, Distribution and Production Company is shown here during their recent meetings in Jeddah. During the meeting they decided to establish a new Islamic publishing firm and outlined their activities.

SWCC's expansion goes on

11 projects, 7 power stations sanctioned

Riyadh, Jan. 1 (SPA) — The Saline Water Conversion Corporation expects an overall production capacity for all the existing desalting plants in the Kingdom of about 557 million gallons of water and 4,900 megawatts of electric power a day.

At present, 19 stations in Jeddah, Yanbu, Haql, Amlaj, Al-Wajh, Daba, Farasan, Alkhobar, and Al-Khaffi produce 151,798,000 gallons of water and 1,380 megawatts of electric power. Eleven more projects under implementation will add 314,840,000 gallons and 2,285 megawatts. And more stations are under study for their eventual establishment in Al-Layth, Al-Qunfuzah, Al-Wajh, Jeddah, Mastoura, Shool and Al-Qasabeyyah to produce 28,180,000 gallons and 270 megawatts. Moreover, some of the existing plants will be expanded.

Foremost among the 1982 achievements was the supply of desalinated water to Riyadh from Jubail through two dual 450 kilometer long pipelines with a 60 inch-diameter.

Jubail's overall plan is a two-phased program. The first phase is meant to produce 30 million gallons of water and 500 megawatts of power per day; the second phase 175 million gallons of water and 2,700 megawatts of electricity. From that output, 135 million gallons of water will be channeled to Riyadh.

As soon as the Jubail plant is completed, the overall capacity of desalination plants along the Kingdom's East Coast will increase to 332 million gallons of potable water and 2,400 megawatts a day.

The present overall capacity of the desalting plants at AlKhobar on the East Coast is estimated at 47.5 million gallons and 400 megawatts per day — 7.5 million gallons a day for the first stage, 50 million gallons and 500 megawatts for the second phase and 40 million gallons and 400 megawatts for the third phase.

At the same time, the total capacity of desalting plants along the West Coast at Al-Wajh, Daba, Haql, Amlaj, Shool, Al-Layth, Rabigh, Mastoura, Al-Uqaymeyyah,

Assir, Makkah, Taif and Farasan Island is evaluated at 255 million gallons of water and 2,500 megawatts of electricity per day.

Water is pumped to Madinah through an iron pipeline covering a 176 kilometer distance (with a 32 inch diameter pipe) across the chain of Hijaz mountains, reaching an 800 meter height above sea level in some areas. The water arrives at Yanbu Al-Bahr through a cement asbestos pipeline of a 24 inch diameter.

The first step in the desalination project under Saudi Arabia's Second Five-Year Development Plan was the SR685 million Jeddah desalination plant which began under the reign of King Faisal and completed during the time of King Khalid. The project, whose implementation began in 1975, was geared to produce 10 million gallons of water and 84 megawatts of electricity a day, at a first stage, to cover the urbanization requirements of Jeddah and its outskirts.

That project was followed by what came to be called the Rush Seven Plant Scheme to produce 3.5 million gallons of water a day by reverse osmosis. Next came the expansion of the third phase which became operational in 1979, producing 20 million gallons of water and 200 megawatts of electricity a day. The latter project brought 38.5 million gallons of water and 340 megawatts of electricity to the overall capacity of Jeddah's desalination plants. The volume of drinking water reaching Jeddah thus rose to 53.5 million gallons, including the water from Wadi Fatima, Wadi Khleiss and the desalting plants.

At the middle of 1982, the fourth phase of Jeddah Desalination Plant, which cost SR2,512,000,000 went into operation to produce 50 million gallons of water and 500 megawatts of power per day. The share of Jeddah and its suburbs went up to 88.5 million gallons of water and 840 megawatts of electricity per day.

In Yanbu, the first phase of the Yanbu and Madinah Desalting Plant was opened in 1981 to produce 25 million gallons of water and 250 megawatts of power per day. Madinah

gets 20 million gallons of water and 200 megawatts of power a day. The remaining five million gallons and 50 megawatts to Yanbu Al-Bahr.

Northern province tour continues

TAYMA, Jan. 1 (SPA) — Deputy Defense Minister Prince Abdul Rahman ibn Abdul Aziz paid a visit here Friday as part of the inspection tour he has been conducting in the Northern Province in the last few days. He was received by Prince Tayma Salih Muhammed Al-Bilaihi, the commander of the Northern Military District. Major-General Salih Muhammed Al-Gifali and the commander of King Faisal air base.

Local firm won construction project

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New Islamic publishing firm launched

JEDDAH, Jan. 1 — The executive committee of Islamiya for Publishing, Distribution and Production Company met over weekend here at Tibaha head office to discuss company projects.

During the meeting two feasibility studies presented by two national companies were discussed and fields of the proposed activities of the new company were outlined. The committee which met under the chairmanship of Mohsin Ahmad Barrom decided to confine its publishing efforts on major works only and to cooperate with various Islamic publishing houses throughout the Islamic world.

As for distribution, the committee agreed to open regional branches in Muslim countries to undertake the role of distributing publications in collaboration with local agents. On the production side, it was decided to coordinate with presses now available within the Islamic world.

Due attention was given to television and radio production and the committee will explore ways of making use of the existing studios in Islamic countries, though it established its own studios.

During the meeting it was finally decided to prepare a memorandum to the secretary general of the Muslim World League, Muhammad Ali Al-Harakan explaining him the steps which have been taken to establish the company and its headquarters.

Al-Mihwa area school district

Riyadh, Jan. 1 (SPA) — Education Minister Dr. Abdul Aziz Al-Khuwair decided to establish an educational directorate in Al-Mihwa area to be connected with the ministry directly. The directorate will be empowered to run its own responsibilities.

The directorate will look after 88 schools including 56 elementary, seven intermediate schools, 19 elementary schools and three intermediate schools will be separated from Al-Lith directorate and connected with the new one.

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ministry to arrange for the fifth annual week of care to the King's mosques. The meeting was presided over by Assistant Undersecretary Hossam Hussein Khashoggi. A ministry spokesman said that the mosque week will be held during the month of June Al-Awwal this year.

Kingdom hosts volleyball games

CASABLANCA, Jan. 1 (SPA) — The Kingdom will host the Young Arabs Volleyball Tournament to be held at the end of this September. The decision was taken by the technical committee of the Arab volleyball union which met here for three days.

Rural, municipal cleaning contracts banned

JEDDAH, Jan. 1 — Municipalities and sub-municipalities in major Saudi Arabian cities can sign contracts with various firms to clean their areas but the municipalities of rural areas and smaller districts will, from now on, have to do it themselves. *Al-Madina* reported.

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Dhuhr (Noon)	12:25	12:25	11:57	11:43	12:08	12:38
Asr (Afternoon)	3:30	3:25	2:56	2:40	3:05	3:30
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Eight killed in northern Lebanon

Sectarian clashes mar '83 entry

BEIRUT, Jan. 1 (Agencies) — Heavy fighting marred the entry of the new year in the northern Lebanese city of Tripoli where exchanges of arms fire between pro- and anti-Syrian forces began Friday night and were continuing early Saturday, Lebanese national radio reported.

The clashes shattered the 15-day ceasefire that had been arranged Dec. 15 after a visit to the city by Syrian Foreign Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam.

Reports said eight persons died in Friday's fighting and seven were wounded.

Unlike Beirut, foreign troops have not left Tripoli. The streets of the city were deserted Saturday morning, as residents passed the first day of the year seeking refuge in their homes.

Beirut, too, welcomed 1983 quietly as

Israel instigating violence--Jumblatt

BEIRUT, Jan. 1 (AP) — Two major opposition leaders demanded in separate interviews published Saturday that Christian militias allied with Israel be disarmed to stop civil war in Lebanon.

"I accuse Israel and the Phalangist Party of instigating sectarian warfare in the (central) mountains," Walid Jumblatt, Lebanon's top Druze leader, told the Paris-based Arabic-language independent magazine *Al-Mostakbal*.

"The only way to stop the fighting in the mountains is to collect all arms from all parties without exception," said Nabil Berri, leader of the Shiite Muslim Amal militia in an interview with Beirut's English-language independent magazine *Mondays Morning*.

Both leaders, who were allied with Palestine Liberation Organization during Lebanon's 1975-76 civil war and Israel's June 6 invasion, criticized government for failing to curb Christian militias.

When the Lebanese Army moved into Muslim-populated West Beirut after the PLO's evacuation last September, Amal and Jumblatt's Progressive Socialist Party turned over much of their arms to the authorities.

The "Lebanese forces" militia of the Phalange Party, Lebanon's largest Christian political force, kept its weapons both in Christian-populated East Beirut and in the mountains despite the army's crackdown on the nationalists in the western sector of the Lebanese capital.

Jumblatt, 33, accused the Israeli occupation army of helping Phalangist militiamen move into the central mountains to establish "military hegemony over the Druze community in the Chouf and Aley regions."

Inhabitants abstained from their usual custom of firing guns in the air.

The siege of the city over the summer and the bombardment that accompanied the battles between the Israelis and the Palestinians has left numerous families in mourning. 1982, many say, is a year "to bury and to forget."

Many districts of Tripoli, Lebanon's second largest city, were without electricity and there were long queues at bakeries, the radio said.

Voice of Free Lebanon, the radio station of the Lebanese Forces, Christian militia, said five bodies had been found in a car in the city but had not yet been identified.

Militiamen of the pro-Syrian Arab Democratic Party and the anti-Syrian Popular Resistance have been fighting on and off for months in Tripoli, which is under the overall control of the all-Syrian Arab Deterrent Force in Lebanon.

Arafat attacks Reagan's stand

LONDON, Jan. 1 (AP) — Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat has asked President Ronald Reagan to confirm the Palestinian right to self-determination, the London-based Arabic language magazine *Al-Hawadess* said Friday.

According to the news weekly, Arafat said in an interview to be published Jan. 5, he made the request through Jordan's King Hussein, hoping to gain exile status for the PLO.

Al-Hawadess said the PLO leader committed himself to an Arab peace settlement in the Middle East and said that a meeting with Reagan would not contribute to ending the Arab-Israel conflict.

He called Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak a "friend," but, pointed out that Mubarak has not invited him to visit Egypt yet, the magazine said.

It said Arafat confirmed that Palestinian pilots are taking part in aerial maneuvers over Sanaa, North Yemen.

Arafat also called on "the Jews inside Israel and outside Israel" to "support peace with justice" in the Middle East.

In a message marking the 18th anniversary of the Palestinian revolution, Arafat asked

2 Israeli soldiers wounded in ambush

TEL AVIV, Jan. 1 (R) — Two Israeli soldiers were wounded Saturday when their vehicle was fired on in an ambush in the Lebanese town of Kfar Sil, south of Beirut, an Israeli Army spokesman said. Israeli soldiers were searching for the attackers.

The wounded soldiers were evacuated to hospital and Israeli forces combed the area for the assailants, the spokesman said.

Lebanese television said that in fighting Friday three persons were killed and 20 wounded.

For residents of the troubled Shouf Mountain region east of Beirut, 1982 ended with a series of killings that left 14 persons dead in the last three days.

The warring factions in the area, the United Christian Militia of the Lebanese Forces and the Druze militants from the progressive Socialist Party (PSP), have denounced the violence and have denied responsibility for it.

Four persons were killed Friday night when an armed group broke into a home in a Christian quarter of Aley, 15 kilometers east of here, press reports said.

On Thursday, three members of a Christian family were murdered on a road near Aley, while a day earlier the bodies of seven members of a Druze family — including children aged five and seven — were found shot.

Kurds stranded at Rome airport

ROME, Jan. 1 (AP) — Four Kurdish refugees left Rome for Czechoslovakia Friday but 31 others were still stranded at the city airport for a fourth day after being denied asylum in Yugoslavia, airport officials said.

The group first arrived in Italy from Tehran Dec. 24 and next day went to the Yugoslav city of Dubrovnik where officials refused a demand for political asylum. After 48 hours they were flown back to Rome's Leonardo da Vinci Airport.

The four, all men, flew to Prague on tourist visas and airport sources said eight other members of the group who had visas to travel to Bulgaria, West Germany or Romania would leave when there were flights to those countries.

The International Red Cross has provided food and blankets for the group which includes seven women and five children. Spokesmen at the Italian Foreign Ministry were not available to say what would happen to the Kurds.

Members of the group who asked not to be identified said they made a 20-day march across mountains from Iraq to Iran to escape persecution and had been under guard in Tehran since August.

The wounded soldiers were evacuated to hospital and Israeli forces combed the area for the assailants, the spokesman said.

Soviet presence in Kabul clouds Zia policy

ISLAMABAD, Jan. 1 (AP) — The Soviet presence in Afghanistan will continue to cloud Pakistani policies in 1983, but pressure will mount to end six years of martial law in Pakistan and return it to civilian rule.

The United States and other European countries almost certainly will continue to support Pakistan through economic, and to some extent, military aid.

This situation arose almost overnight with the Soviet march into neighboring Afghanistan. An estimated 105,000 Soviet troops now occupy that country, and 1983 will mark the fourth year of occupation.

Because of its front line position, Pakistan has been able to secure millions of dollars in international aid. The United States alone has already pledged \$3.2 billion assistance to be spread out over the next six years.

Another issue that is likely to gain more importance is overtures by Pakistan to make peace with its neighbor India. The two countries have fought three wars in the last three decades, and relations today are still marked by deep suspicion.

Despite President Gen. Zia ul-Haq's drive for introduction of Islamic law, Pakistan will continue to seek better relations with the West, particularly the United States.

However, Pakistan will stress the importance of its position as a nonaligned country and spokesman for the Third World.

A grouping of eight opposition parties which have united under one umbrella called the Movement for the Restoration of Democracy, pressing Zia for restoration of democracy. So far Gen. Zia has yielded little on this score, although he has hinted that he intends to hold elections within two years "if conditions are right."

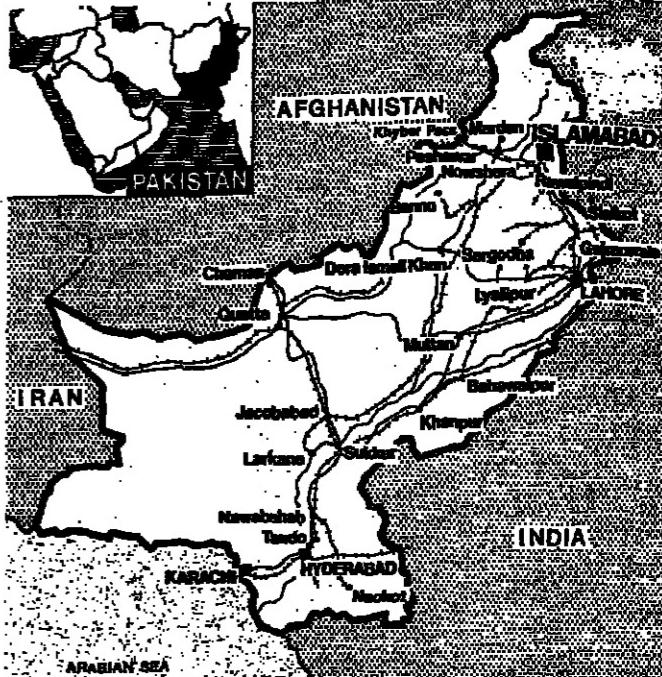
He announced this program just days before he embarked on his Dec. 6 state visit to the United States, which has openly said it would rather deal with a democracy than a military rule.

Zia's human rights record also is regarded as a hot issue with Washington. It is estimated there may be as many as 1,000 political prisoners held in Pakistan.

On Aug. 14, the 35th anniversary of Pakistan's founding, Zia said he intended to announce within one year the "structure for a future government system."

Opposition parties interpret Zia's remark to mean that it will be Zia's own version of a regulated election."

In addition, Zia has said the military must play a role in any future government, which seems to rule out Western-style democracy for this Muslim nation of 85 million.



Pakistan's 57-year-old chief martial law administrator also is likely to bar the opposition parties from actively stumping in any future elections.

The opposition already is banned from giving statements to the press, and expressing opinion in public and meeting in public places. To do so is to risk arrest.

Yet Zia is haunted by the ghost of former Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, whom he allowed to be executed in 1979 after his conviction in a murder-conspiracy case.

Bhutto's name still commands a great following in Pakistan. His name still stands for democracy — and that may be Zia's greatest obstacle in handing over power, whether he abdicates to another general, as seems likely, or initiates the elections process.

Nusrat, widow of Bhutto, warned in an interview published in New Delhi that her country could break up if elections were not held.

She told the Delhi magazine *India Today* of her apprehensions about the future of Pakistan, which has been under martial law since July 1977. Bhutto was hanged in 1979.

Mujahedeen pledge to rock Karmal's boat

most active fighting organizations in Afghanistan.

Other resistance groups put their names to the warning Friday and Mujahedeen sources said they planned to maintain the tempo of their attacks for several more weeks.

Travelers reports confirmed by Western diplomats with access to information inside Afghanistan have listed an attack on Kabul airport, serious disruption of electricity supplies, a possible attack on the Soviet Embassy, and raids on major airfields at Jalalabad near the Pakistan border and air base north of Kabul.

Afghan refugee sources who closely monitor Afghanistan's official Radio Kabul said the reports of a demonstration outside the U.S. Embassy in Kabul Thursday and other anti-American protest meetings in major towns like Kandahar, Jalalabad, Mazar-i-Sharif and Maimana indicated the seriousness of the attacks.

The sources said Thursday night's Radio Kabul broadcast included the most strident anti-American statements heard since Soviet troops supported the coup which brought Afghan President Babrak Karmal to power Dec. 27, 1979.

Travelers who have made their way to Pakistan from Kabul over the past two days, but said they cannot be named for fear of reprisals on their return, reported that several days before the anniversary there was an attack on Kabul airport.

The travelers said they were told by airport staff that in the attack Soviet and Afghan

government soldiers mistakenly fired on each other. Earlier this week Western diplomats reported a similar incident near the airport.

However, the diplomats said since then they had received other accounts which backed up the report of an attack on the airport.

The travelers said they believed Mujahedeen attacked the Soviet Embassy the day after the anniversary. However they did not witness the attack and based their account on seeing and hearing intense military activity, including prolonged shooting, in the area.

Gen. Ershad tours cholera-hit towns

DHAKA, Jan. 1 (AFP) — Bangladeshi leader Hussein Muhammad Ershad visited parts of southern Barisal district where cholera has taken a heavy toll of lives in the recent months, the official news agency BSS reported.

The government confirmed last week that at least 1,900 persons had died of cholera and other stomach diseases in different parts of Bangladesh since September.

Preventive measures were geared up to tackle the spread of the disease official sources said.

Gen. Ershad was accompanied during the visit by the Health Minister Maj. Gen. Sham-sul Huq, zonal martial law administrator Maj.-Gen. K. M. Wahed and senior health department officials.

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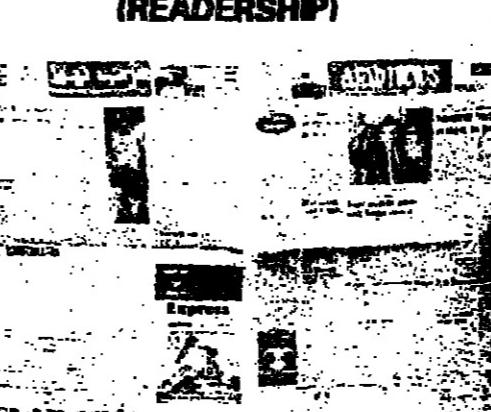
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Khmer Rouge retakes lost areas

BANGKOK, Jan. 1 (AFP) — Cambodia's ousted Khmer Rouge claimed Saturday to have recaptured large areas during 1982 guerrilla action against Vietnamese forces backing the Phnom Penh Cambodian government.

In an year-end commentary, Khmer Rouge radio said its forces had made steady progress from strongholds near the Thai border toward the center of Cambodia. The broadcast spoke of enlarged warfronts in the northwest province of Oddor Meanchey and along Highway Six, which is near the northern rim of the great Tonle Sap Lake. Currently, the guerrillas were concentrating their efforts to extend this "liberated zone" to the Tonle Sap region, it said. "We have attacked the Vietnamese enemy while continuing to push eastward, until such time as we have recaptured most of the ground up to the Cambodian-Vietnamese border."

The broadcast made no mention of a published report that Prince Norodom Sihanouk,

head of an anti-Vietnamese Cambodian coalition with the Khmer Rouge and Son Sane forces, was considering pulling out of this alliance. The prince was quoted as saying in a letter to his followers that he would temporarily halt his diplomatic and political activities and withdraw from his involvement as coalition president.

Aides to the prince in Bangkok said the move may have been designed to push China and the five-member Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) into providing more aid to his supporters along the Thai border. Meanwhile, in Phnom Penh the Vietnamese-backed Kampuchean United Front for National Construction and Defense wound up a four-day meeting of its National Council Friday, the Phnom Penh news agency SFK, monitored here said.

In a communiqué, the front blasted Prince Sihanouk as a "traitor to the nation and his people" for joining hands with the forces of Khmer Rouge ex-Premier Pol Pot, widely

accused of massacres while in power from 1975 until Hanoi-led troops deposed him four years ago.

Meanwhile, a senior member of the banned Communist Party of Thailand (CPT), Mongkol Na Nakhon, returned to Bangkok from Peking Friday to surrender after spending 18 years underground. Mongkol, 71, who shuffled slowly and supported himself with a cane, received a subdued welcome at the airport by about 10 other well-known defectors from the mainly pro-Peking CPT, which began an armed struggle against the central government in 1965.

Mongkol was a member of the CPT's disbanded political wing — the Coordinating Committee for Patriotic and Democratic Forces (CCPDF), which oversaw united front activities. His defection was the latest in a long line to plague Thai Communists whose armed strength has reportedly dropped to below half the estimated 1978 peak of 14,000.

The CPT has been hamstrung by the fallout between its former principal backers, China and Vietnam. It has also been hurt by Peking's efforts to woo Bangkok in its current drive to hobble Soviet-backed Hanoi. Mongkol was escorted home by his wife and a daughter who had flown to meet him in Peking Dec. 18.

Two former student activists living in exile in China returned with Mongkol to take advantage of a standing government amnesty offer for Communist defectors.

Nakasone justifies proposal to increase defense outlay

TOKYO, Jan. 1 (AP) — Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone said Saturday that Japan should make defense efforts equal to those of European countries.

The prime minister, who was elected Nov. 26, made the statement to reporters at an annual new year press conference here. Referring to a planned 6.5 percent increase in defense spending in the government's General Account budget for fiscal 1983, starting April 1, Nakasone said he had personally asked the finance ministry to boost the defense budget to that level despite current financial austerity.

Opposition parties here have reacted sharply to the increase in defense expenditure, since spending for welfare was allowed to increase only 0.6 percent in the coming fiscal year. The government proposed a rise of only 1.4 percent in its overall fiscal 1983, General Account budget draft finalized Friday, the lowest increase rate in 28 years. "In view of our important relations with the United States, I think Japan should make efforts for its national defense as much as

British ship sinks off Indonesia

KUALA LUMPUR, Jan. 1 (AP) — Capt. Ole Cristensen of Denmark drowned when his 113-ton British-owned ship, *The M.V. Sire*'s, sank in rough weather in the South China Sea Wednesday, officials reported Friday.

Earlier reports had said the captain was Dutch, but Danish Consul Gunnar Larsen confirmed his nationality as Danish Friday. He said details of the ship's owners and other matters were not immediately available. Singapore port officials contacted by telephone from Kuala Lumpur, however, said the *M.V. Sire*'s is operated out of Singapore by Sean Shipping Pty., Ltd., and is owned by Globe Lines of the United Kingdom. It is registered in Jersey, England, they said.

The refrigerated vessel sank Wednesday near the Indonesian Island of Mengabu, about 240 kilometers from Kuching, Sarawak State, on Borneo Island, marine officials said. Three crew members were rescued from a life raft after eight hours at sea by an Indian cargo-passenger vessel, *The Indian Triumph No. 1*, the marine department

South African security stepped up

JOHANNESBURG, Jan. 1 (AP) — Police in South Africa Friday deployed exceptional countrywide security measures following last night's attack against the Johannesburg law courts.

The measures will stay in force throughout the weekend for fear of further sabotage attacks, a reliable source said. Responsibility for the explosions at the law courts, which according to police caused only slight damage, had not been claimed. No one was hurt in the blast.

The Johannesburg evening paper *The Star* noted that it was the 24th "terrorist" act in South Africa this year, but the first to take

Death claimed many veterans in '82

NEW YORK, Jan. 1 (AP) — Some had long been alive, and their deaths came as no surprise: Leonid Brezhnev, Henry Fonda, Ingrid Bergman. Others, like Grace of Monaco and Bashir Gemayel, seemed ripped from life — shown as mortals all too soon.

Death, through execution, assassination, accident, suicide, homicide and disease, claimed many of the famous in 1982. The world saw the passing of one of its most powerful men: Soviet Communist Party chief and President Leonid I. Brezhnev, 75, who stayed atop the Kremlin power structure for 18 years.

Hollywood lost two of its greatest stars: Henry Fonda, 77, the all-American film hero who won an Oscar for his last performance as an aging professor in *On Golden Pond* and Ingrid Bergman, 67, who won three Academy awards during a film career that was marred by scandal when she left her first husband to live with, and bear a son by, Italian director Roberto Rossellini.

Fonda and Brezhnev had long suffered from heart disease. Miss Bergman had breast cancer. For them, death had seemed near. Not so for Princess Grace, who died at age 52 after what doctors said were two strokes, one at the wheel of her car that sent it plunging over a cliff. So closed, abruptly, and sadly, the story of Grace Kelly, the Oscar-winning American actress who left Hollywood to marry a prince.

And not so for John Belushi, who gained fame by television comedy and went on to success in films like *Animal House*. He was found dead, at age 33, of an overdose of heroin and cocaine.

Also in 1982, music lovers the world over mourned the death of Arthur Rubinstein, 95, a concert pianist acclaimed as a virtuoso without peer. America said farewell to Bess Truman, widow of President Harry S. Truman, and, at 97, the longest-lived of the nation's first ladies.

The world lost leaders, past and present: Bashir Gemayel, 34, assassinated before he could take office as president of Lebanon,

Seychelles begins to relay TV

VICTORIA, Jan. 1 (AFP) — The Seychelles began television broadcasting Friday with the inauguration of Radio Television Seychelles (RTS) first transmission.

The broadcasts, using the Pal Color Standard, will at this stage reach 40 percent of the population of the Indian Ocean archipelago. In his inauguration speech, President France Albert Rene said television will educate citizens in the interests of progress and national understanding.

The decision to introduce television, he said, was based on the political belief that "we have to use every means possible to educate ourselves so that we improve ourselves and understand each other". Underlining the great potential of television to boost development, President Rene said the country's cultural and economic potential would be rediscovered through the contact television established between people, what was happening in their country and the rest of the world.

RTS will initially go on air only at the weekends, with a total of nine hours of broadcast on Fridays, Saturday's and Sundays. A break in transmissions has been scheduled to allow families to have dinner, listen to the radio and do other things.

French climber presumed dead in Everest attempt

KATMANDU, Jan. 1 (AFP) — Jean Bourgeois, a member of a ten-man French expedition attempting to climb Mount Everest, was presumed to have fallen to his death in the northern glacier on the Tibetan side of the peak, it was officially announced here.

But a search was continuing for the 44-year-old engineer according to a Nepalese liaison officer stationed at the Everest base camp reported by radio Saturday morning to the ministry of tourism. "They are searching on the northern slope of the 'Lho La' Pass and also the southern side of this killer peak," the announcement said.

The announcement came two days after Japanese climbers Yasuo Kato and Toshiaki Kobayashi were reported frozen to death on Mount Everest. Last Monday, Kato reached the summit to become the first man to climb the mountain in winter. Bourgeois, a resident of Belgium and the oldest climber in the expedition from Couzy, France, is presumed to have slipped to his death while descending from camp two to camp one at 6,000 meters (19,800 feet).

Other members of the French team, led by Michel Metzger, a dental surgeon from Paris, launched a frantic search but found no trace of Bourgeois, believed to have fallen into the deep glacier on the northern slope. Bourgeois

was climbing in biting cold weather and strong winds on the 8,848-meter (29,028-foot) mountain in a bid to reach the world's highest summit, the Nepalese Tourism Ministry said.

During the climb, he complained of a headache — a possible sign of high-altitude sickness — and started down again for the first base camp but could not reach it the ministry announced quoting an official message from the Everest Base Camp.

The expedition decided to leave the base camp Friday, sending the five-member team toward camp two in an apparent effort to climb as high as possible, but without the goal of reaching the summit of the killer peak. The presumed death of Bourgeois brings to ten the number of climbers killed on Everest in 1982. Mountaineering experts here said the French climbers might have been too ambitious in seeking to climb right up to the "Lho-La," the world's highest pass situated at 6,006 meters on the Nepal-Tibetan frontier along the western ridge route of Mount Everest.

This was the second French failure on the treacherous 28,848-meter peak via the West Ridge route along the Lho-La pass in eight years. It was climbed by a French team headed by Pierre Mezeaud in October 1978 but via the South Col route.

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Obote claims victory in war against rebels

NAIROBI, Jan. 1 (AP) — Ugandan President Milton Obote told his countrymen in a New Year message broadcast Saturday that "peace and stability" had returned to at least parts of the troubled East African nation in 1982.

Radio Uganda quoted Obote as saying the government had been successful in its drives against guerrilla groups and that the West Nile district of Northern Uganda and areas around Kampala, the capital, were now mostly peaceful and secure because of the surrender of insurgents. Obote has been faced since February 1981 with a threat from bands of guerrillas fighting to oust him on the grounds that he rigged the December 1980 election which returned him to power after more than eight years of rule by deposed Idi Amin.

The West Nile region bordering Zaire and Sudan had until recently been under the virtual control of the Uganda Rescue Front headed by Moses Ali. Ali, once finance minister under Amin, is believed to be in exile in southern Sudan. Guerrillas of the Uganda Freedom Movement and the National Resistance Army have been active around Kampala, but the government has been reporting mass surrenders in recent weeks. They claim allegiance to Yusuf Lule, who briefly served as president in an interim

government after Amin's downfall in April 1979. He currently lives in London.

With the increased security, Obote said in the broadcast message monitored here, the production of such export crops as tea, coffee and cotton had increased and commerce was beginning to pick up in Uganda.

The Ugandan president warned his countrymen that they would face fuel shortages in a few days because of a fire Dec. 22 at a fuel storage depot in Nairobi. The blaze destroyed more than 1.5 million gallons of gasoline. Kenya refines imported crude oil for sale to other East African countries, including Uganda, Burundi, Rwanda, Zaire and Sudan. The fire was expected to cause a delay in shipments of fuel to the neighboring countries.

The radio also reported a news conference Friday by the Ugandan vice president and defense minister, Paulo Muwanga, in which he alleged that the government had compiled the names of opposition politicians and missionaries who had aided anti-government guerrillas. He did not name any one. Muwanga alleged that some missionaries working in Uganda had offered their facilities as bases for guerrillas operating in the bush and that members of the opposition Democratic Party were involved with the guerrillas.

On legalized murder

Thatcher dismisses Irish leader's charge as rubbish

LONDON, Jan. 1 (Agencies) — British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher Friday dismissed as "rubbish" charges that the security forces in Northern Ireland were guilty of legalized murder.

The minister of state for Northern Ireland, Lord Gowrie, said he would resign if there was a shoot-to-kill policy for the police and the army in Ulster. John Hume, leader of the mainly Catholic Social Democratic and Labor Party, began the controversy Thursday by saying the police and the army in Northern Ireland had a policy that amounted to "legalized murder." Terrorist suspects were being shot on sight as part of a fundamental change in security policy, he added.

Lord Gowrie, an Irish Catholic peer, said on radio that he had already denied in parliament that there had been any change in security policy in Northern Ireland. "If I am found to be wrong, I would have to resign," he said.

Meanwhile, the population of Belfast, capital of Northern Ireland and center of the British province's sectarian strife, has shrunk by about 25 percent since 1971 to 297,983, according to 1981 census figures published in The Irish Times Friday. The drop was shared by all major religious

groups, but the rate of decrease was significantly lower for Catholics than for the major Protestant denominations, The Times said. The figures were complicated however by the refusal of 20 percent of the population to volunteer their religious affiliation, the newspaper said.

It attributed the lack of response to the coincidence of the April 1981 census with the Irish Republic Army hunger strike at the Maze Prison, in which 10 guerrillas died in a protest demanding political prisoner status. The forms were collected a month before the first, Bobby Sands, died and during an anti-census campaign by Republican forces who opposed the census as an act of the Protestant establishment. The protest resulted in the murder of a census collector in Londonderry.

Presbyterians, losing 42 percent of their population, lost the most in numbers, while Catholics with a 23 percent drop, lost the least, the newspaper said. Preliminary figures indicated a drop of about 50,000 in all of Northern Ireland, but The Times said it would be impossible to say whether Belfast's drop in numbers was due to movement to the suburbs, to slum clearance or to emigration until further figures are released in two or three months.

Botha offers friendship pacts

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 1 (AP) — Prime Minister P.W. Botha Friday renewed an offer to sign friendship pacts with neighboring black-ruled countries if they stopped harboring anti-South African guerrillas.

In a televised New Year's eve address, Botha also repeated a frequent warning that countries aiding black guerrillas risked South African military might. "The government will not hesitate to act, wherever it may be necessary, to combat forces that want to destabilize our country," he said. South Africa accuses its neighbors of sheltering guerrillas of the African National Congress, which is committed to overthrow-

For destabilization bids

Mozambique, Cuba rap imperialists

MAPUTO, Jan. 1 (AFP) — Mozambique and Cuba have condemned imperialist efforts to destabilize countries in Southern Africa and Central America, and declared continued support for the anti-apartheid African National Congress (ANC) of South Africa.

In a joint communiqué published here Friday following the Dec. 25-28 visit to Mozambique by Cuban Vice-President Juan Almeida Bosque, the two states denounced U.S. policies in central America and the Caribbean, as well as the U.S.-South African stand on Namibia. They described as "imperialist pretensions" the Washington-Pretoria position that Namibia's independence from South Africa must be preceded by withdrawal of Cuban troops from neighboring Angola and as "imperialist designs."

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Nairobi officer court-martialed

NAIROBI, Jan. 1 (AFP) — A fifth non-commissioned officer of the now-disbanded Kenyan Air Force, Corp. Charles Mirasi, was arraigned before a court-martial here Friday charged with treason.

Corp. Mirasi is among six servicemen implicated by officers and convicted airmen as having taken active charge of activities at the Nanyuki Air Force Base during the failed Aug. 1 coup attempt.

Four of the men, senior sergeant Joseph Ogidi Obuon and Corporals Bramwell Injeni Njeremant, Walter Odia Ojode and Charles Edward Oriwa Hongo, have already been sentenced to death for their roles in the air force-led uprising.

Three commissioned officers and more than 900 other servicemen have been convicted and variously sentenced to terms ranging from dismissal from the armed forces to 25 years in jail for their part in the attempted coup. The trial continues next week.

U.S. heart transplant patient dies

HOUSTON, Jan. 1 (AP) — A 26-year-old woman died of respiratory failure Friday, less than 48 hours after receiving a new heart and two lungs in a multiple transplant operation, a hospital spokeswoman said.

The woman, whose name was not released, was the second heart-lung transplant here to die this month. A man who received a heart and two lungs Nov. 23 died of double pneumonia Dec. 15. The woman had been reported in a serious condition since operation early Thursday at the Texas Heart Institute, said spokesman Hazel Haby. The organs came from a 32-year-old woman who was killed in a traffic accident.

A 30-year-old Texas man who received a transplanted heart late Tuesday "continues to do well," Ms. Haby said. His heart came from a 21-year-old man, who also was killed in a traffic accident.

The two patients were the fourth and fifth of 35 operations planned over two years by heart surgeon Denton Cooley. Cooley performed heart transplants for a 43-year-old man in July and a 44-year-old woman in August. Both patients, who were treated with the experimental drug, were released from the hospital and are doing "just fine," Haby said.

the clandestine war against the Nicaraguan government and the economic blockade against Cuba and Grenada.

Observers noted that the omission of any explicit reference to the United States follows a visit by a U.S. State Department delegation to Maputo two weeks ago, the first of its kind since the Reagan administration took office.

In the communiqué, the Cuban side said South Africa was "training, financing and infiltrating into Mozambique" the "armed bands and mercenaries of the Mozambique Resistance Movement (MNR), which has been stepping up attacks on economic and other strategic targets in the country. The Mozambican side praised the work of the more than 100 Cuban technicians and experts who work in the country.

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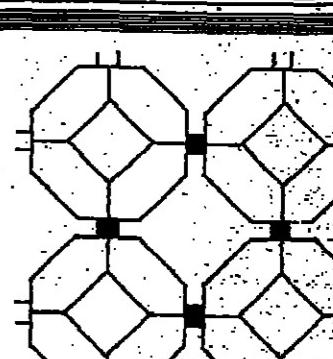
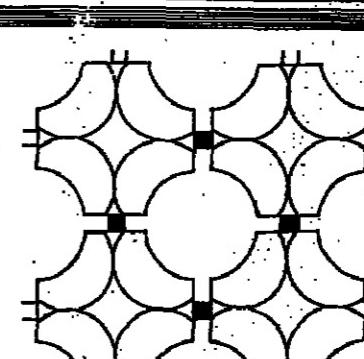
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Fire destroys building in Stockholm

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 1 (AFP) — A violent explosion and fire thought to be of criminal origin destroyed a commercial building early Friday in downtown Stockholm, but caused no injuries, police here said.

Damage was already estimated at millions of krona (several million dollars), as police cordoned off 100-meter (yard) radius where the blast had shattered windows in several stores and seriously damaged the offices of international airline companies. An anonymous caller telephoned police headquarters before the blast warning that a bomb had been placed in a large store near to where the fire later broke out.

Some investigators said the blast could have been caused by a plastic explosive weighing several kilos. They said it was apparently aimed at a Swedish-owned restaurant frequented by businessmen, the "Fontainebleau". The establishment has already been the object of two armed attacks, whose perpetrators were never found, and an unsuccessful arson attempt on Aug. 11.

China, Antigua establish ties

PEKING, Jan. 1 (AP) — China, which is trying to improve its ties with Latin America, established full diplomatic relations Saturday with the Caribbean island state of Antigua and Barbuda, the official Xinhua news agency reported.

Antigua is in the eastern part of the Leeward Islands and Barbuda is a flat coral island 40 kms north of Antigua. Antigua and Barbuda, once part of a British colony known as the Leeward Islands, gained independence on Nov. 1, 1981. Xinhua said a joint communiqué on diplomatic relations was signed last Dec. 21 in New York by China's United Nations representative Ling Qing and the Antigua and Barbuda Ambassador Lloyd Jacobs. The two countries will exchange ambassadors.

In the communiqué, Antigua and Barbuda recognizes China's sovereignty over the Island of Taiwan.

Nicaragua fears U.S. aggression

MANAGUA, Jan. 1 (R) — Nicaragua's leftist leaders said Friday that 1983 would see the United States increasing its "aggressive designs" on Central America in general and on Nicaragua in particular.

In a new year message, the government declared 1983 a year of struggle for peace and national sovereignty and called on the people to be prepared for any eventuality. It said that despite adversities, Nicaragua would continue to progress in rebuilding its economy, shattered by a civil war in 1979 which led to the overthrow of rightist dictator Anastasio Somoza.

Nicaragua's relations with the U.S. deteriorated after the leftist Sandinista National Liberation Front (FSLN) came to power. Washington cut off all aid to Nicaragua, accusing the Sandinista leadership of helping leftist guerrillas in neighboring El Salvador in attempts to topple the U.S.-backed Salvadoran government.

RAF pilot accused of shooting down jet

London, Jan. 1 (AP) — A Royal Air Force F-4 Phantom pilot and his navigator are facing court martial this month after shooting down another RAF jet during a training exercise in West Germany, the British Broadcasting Corp. reported Saturday.

Details could not be checked immediately because of the New Year's holiday, which closed ministry offices in London. The BBC said the Phantom's crew fired a heat-seeking sidewinder missile which brought down a Jaguar fighter, worth about \$64 million. The struck plane crashed in a field, but the pilot ejected safely, the BBC said.

It named the crew as Flight Lieutenant Roy Lawrence and Alastair Inverarity, based at Waddington near Duxford, and said they deny negligence charges.

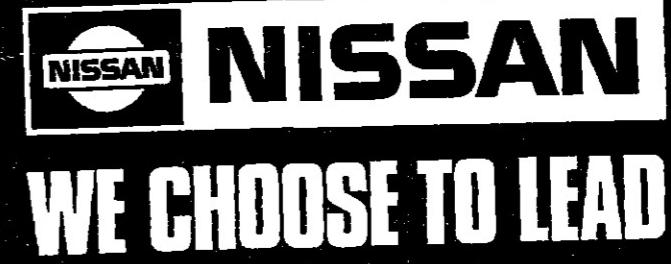
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U.K. NATIONALITY ACT

The majority members of the mother of parliaments in Westminster have just approved a new nationality act which seeks to divide British citizenship into three categories in descending order of legitimacy while depriving over four million persons of full-fledged citizenship rights.

Defining citizenship is the prerogative of every government but depriving citizens of their rights or classifying them smacks of racial discrimination. The residents of Gibraltar and the Falkland Islands, who are mainly white and of British ancestry, have been spared the indignity visited on less white former British citizens or subjects. These residents have been given the right to apply for full British citizenship. Others living somewhere between Hong Kong and the British Indian Ocean and Antarctic territories have had a raw deal.

Those of other ethnic and color origins have been dubbed British overseas citizens but with no right to settle in Britain if they chose to do so. It passes one's understanding how can they be British overseas citizens if they cannot settle in their home country which has given them the name. The net result of the act, which has already been attacked by various groups including the church, is that nearly two million persons will find themselves practically stateless in a world already full of such hapless people. This is a terrible thought for them after having lived for so many years believing they have a homeland to go to if needs be.

Mrs. Thatcher and her rank Conservative supporters should have stopped to think of the dire consequences which would befall erstwhile British citizens whose only fault was that Britain had one day invaded and colonized their countries.

At the height of the empire all nationals under the flag were considered citizens of the empire and Commonwealth and those from Malaysia were given residential and political rights in Nigeria. Those were the heady days of empire when many Britons sincerely believed that it might last for ever and a day.

Saudi Arabian press review

Oka Saturday called for firm and strong Arab action to deal with challenges threatening the Arab nation.

It underlined the importance of a unified Arab stand in the light of the forthcoming visit to London by a seven-member Arab League delegation.

The paper said a unanimous and firm Arab position was needed to give momentum to the peace process in the Middle East at a time when the Israeli enemy was actively obstructing efforts to settle the Middle East conflict.

The paper said the Arabs had a sincere desire to bring about a just and durable peace in the Middle East and referred to their untiring efforts to secure one through the Arab peace plan adopted at the 12th Arab summit in Fez in September. It called on Arab states to mobilize their support for Iraq in its battle with Iran in view of the proven cooperation between Iran and Israel.

Commenting on the current Israeli-Lebanese talks to ensure foreign troop withdrawal from Lebanon's territory, the *Al-Madina* said the Arabs, directly or indirectly, were responsible for the results of the negotiations and asked them to take part in the talks.

Al-Jazirah said Israel was deliberately trying to obstruct the

Mexican poet sees changes in political front soon

By Sol Sussman

OCTAVIO PAZ, one of Mexico's foremost writers and social critics, says his country is on the verge of major political changes brought on by its near economic collapse.

"The economic crisis is a result of the political crisis," he said. "I think that we are at the end of an era." The 68-year-old author — short, stocky and with a scholarly appearance — is a poet and essayist who was mentioned as a candidate for the 1982 Nobel prize for literature that went to fellow Mexican city resident Gabriel Garcia Marquez.

Paz said in an interview with the Associated Press that he is bored by politics and cautions against authors allowing politics to infiltrate their work.

"Ideologies come and go, but the works remain," he said. Nevertheless, he speaks frequently about Mexico's political system and leadership, and says President Miguel De La Madrid's call for "moral renewal" is a step on the way to rooting institutionalized corruption.

His writing in such books as *The Labyrinth of Solitude* has offered deep insight into Mexico and its character. The soft-spoken Paz said 53 years of dominance by the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party has fueled corruption, impeded change and prevented leaders from listening to Mexicans.

He called for a deepening of the political reforms instituted by former President Jose Lopez Portillo to permit other parties more access to the system. "We Mexicans are tired of lies and pharisaic projects," he said, relaxing in his library lined from floor to ceiling with books. "We're ready for a sober and honest country."

There were increasing grumblings about corruption in the last few months of the administration of Lopez Portillo, who oversaw an oil boom but whose ambitious development programs brought the nation to the brink of bankruptcy. Paz, born in 1914, currently edits the literary magazine *Vuelta* and said he expects to publish a new volume of poetry soon.

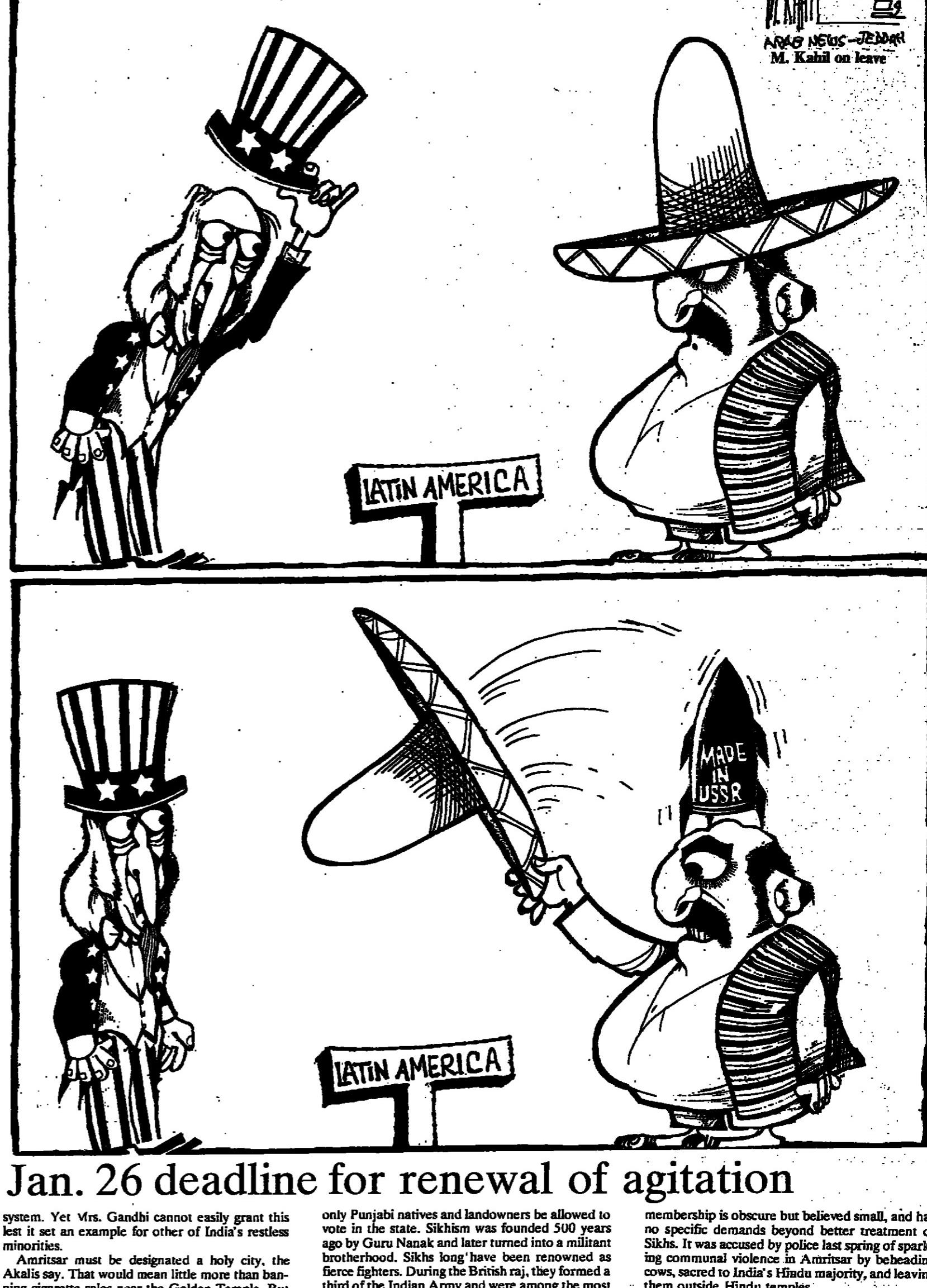
The poet wrote eloquently more than 30 years ago of the strong ties that Mexicans feel for their land, particularly of the virtually mystical link to the Valley of Mexico ringed by mountains and volcanoes. The valley was the site for the Indian city of Tenochtitlan and now holds its modern successor, Mexico City.

"It has been a disaster in many aspects," Paz said of Mexico's development from centuries of traditional poverty to the industrial and oil boom of the past few years. "The ecological disaster of the Valley of Mexico ... is also the product of this same policy."

Paz lives in a high-rise building on one of Mexico City's main downtown avenues. His apartment is filled with an international collection of art and fine crafts objects. Asked why he has not joined the exodus to Chic suburbs, Paz replied: "I'm a Mexican. I have to live like the Mexicans — I adore my city. ... It was beautiful and it's going to be beautiful again someday."

He said it was pleasant — a little like Roulette" to be mentioned again as a potential Nobel prize winner, but there was no problem in not winning. (AP)

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Sikhs set Jan. 26 deadline for renewal of agitation

By James W. Hutton

NEW DELHI —

Punjab state, the cauldron stirred by India's militant Sikh population, is bubbling fiercely and once again appears ready to spill over.

The Akali Dal, the main Sikh political party headed by Harchand Singh Longowal, has set Jan. 26 — India's Republic Day — to renew agitation aimed at forcing Prime Minister Indira Gandhi to grant 43 political and religious demands. Longowal has called on the four Sikh members of parliament and 37 Sikh Punjab state legislators to resign then. And he has ordered the rekindling of the "fill the jails" campaign that last summer drugged 25,000 detained, turbaned Sikhs into Punjab prisons.

That agitation reached New Delhi Oct. 11 when thousands of rock-tossing, sword-waving Sikhs fought pitched battles with police and tried to storm parliament. Five Sikhs died from police gunfire. One frightening new dimension to the campaign is the list of demands.

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They list requires an end to "discrimination" against Sikhs but does not spell out what it means.

It opposes a plan to channel water from three rivers

to thirsty neighboring states, and calls for incorporation of Chandigarh city and Punjabi-speaking border areas into Punjab state.

Chandigarh, 170 kilometers north of here, is capital of both Punjab and Haryana states but part of neither. Haryana legislators have threatened to resign en masse if Mrs. Gandhi gives the city to Punjab.

Also, incorporation of the linguistically compatible border areas actually would make the Sikhs a minority in Punjab. They now comprise about 52 percent of the state's 16.7 million population.

Kushwant Singh, a Sikh and one of India's most respected editors, interviewed Longowal recently and reported he was "a gentle, soft spoken man with very modest education." Singh read Longowal some of the more controversial demands and "he looked unhappy and conceded that they need retranslating. However, he affirmed his party's resolve to stand by the substantive demands."

Other top Akali leaders have since said the entire list must be granted, however, and one has added to it. Gurcharan Singh Tohra demanded recently that

SPD emerges stronger after local poll

By Tony Catterall

HAMBURG —

Embarrassingly for West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, the people of Hamburg have given him a real vote of no-confidence only two days after he manufactured a minority in the Bonn Parliament to enable early federal elections to be held.

Hamburg officials of Kohl's own party, the Christian Democratic Union, gloomily concede that the state elections result means no absolute majority for the CDU and its Bavarian sister party, the Christian Social Union, after the federal election planned for March. For the CDU/CSU's coalition partner, the Free Democratic Party, it means extinction.

All this is despite the fact that Hamburg was a special case, where the voters had good Hamburg reasons to return to the Social Democratic Party they deserted only six months ago. The election then produced a hung parliament, with the CDU having the most seats but not a majority. The SPD clung to the power it had held for the past 25 years, with the help of the radical ecologists the Greens.

They, however, refused to countenance planned cuts in education and welfare spending, and Mayor Klaus von Dohnanyi abruptly broke off negotiations to call an election in which he hoped to capitalize on sympathy for the SPD following the constitutional coup which ousted Helmut Schmidt as chancellor. During the campaign, both the major parties made great play of the "ungovernability" factor; the

SPD to say that it could not implement its program, and the CDU to warn of the dire situation that a red-green alliance would bring.

All parties expected such an alliance to follow the election. The only difference found in talking to the CDU, SPD, FDP or Greens was which party would have the most seats. There was no doubt that neither of the big parties would have a majority, that the Green vote would increase, and that the Free Democrats would for the third successive time in Hamburg and in the fourth state elections this year, fail to get the five percent of the vote needed for parliamentary representation.

The result was a shock for everyone. All parties lost votes to the SPD, but the factor which put the party firmly back in power was the six percent increase in voter turn-out. Statistically, all of these votes went to the SPD. All West German parties see this as confirming the trend shown in the previous two state elections — in Hesse and Bavaria — since the change of power in Bonn where the SPD did better than expected, even managing with the help of the Greens to retain power in Hesse.

In those elections, the SPD vote was emotional. Now those who have, according to the polls, been deserting the party have had a taste of conservative government in Bonn. Two issues that were emphasized in Hamburg were the new rent laws allowing steep rises, and the converting of some student grants into loans and the abolition of others.

Officials from all parties say that, assuming President Karl Carstens does dissolve the federal parliament following its loss of confidence in Chancellor Kohl, the FDP vote will continue to evaporate, with it being replaced as the country's third party by the Greens. Enough SPD votes will return home to deny the CDU/CSU an absolute majority, leaving the country in the situation experienced by Hamburg for the past six months.

SPD spokesmen say they are sure their party can come to an agreement with the Greens at federal level despite the central point of Green campaigning being total opposition to new nuclear weapons stationed in West Germany.

According to the Greens, their basic condition for cooperation with any party which wants to form a government is repudiation of the 1979 NATO decision on medium-range missiles in Europe. The SPD is hoping they will be prepared to fudge the issue. If, as is more likely, they stick to their demands, the Greens consider that a de facto grand coalition between the SPD and the CDU/CSU will emerge.

One of the results of the last grand coalition — from 1966 to 1969 — was the extra parliamentary opposition that gave birth to the Baader-Meinhof urban guerrillas. This time the disaffected would have the Greens to turn to. However the post-election power balance shapes, they stand to gain. (ONS)

Today is Sunday, Jan. 2, the 2nd day of 1983. There are 363 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:

1492 — Spain captures Granada from the Moors.

1799 — Britain joins Russian-Turkish alliance. Napoleon advances into Syria.

1861 — Frederick William IV of Prussia dies, succeeded by William I.

1900 — The open door policy of China is announced by U.S. Secretary of State John Hay.

1905 — Russians surrender the Manchurian city of Port Arthur to the Japanese.

1909 — Dismissal of Yuan Shih-kai places Chinese administration in Manchu hands.

1933 — Anarchist and Syndicalists' uprising starts in Barcelona.

1942 — Philippine capital of Manila is captured by Japanese in World War II.

1971 — Sixty-six persons suffocate and are trampled to death when a crowded gallery gives way at a soccer match in Glasgow, Scotland.

1976 — The Soviet Union hardens its stand on emigration despite the 1975 Helsinki agreement to permit freer movement of people and ideas in Europe.

1978 — U.S. President Jimmy Carter confuses India with Prime Minister Morarji Desai over disputed U.S. policy of safeguards for nuclear assistance.

Thought for today:

A happy life must be to a great extent a quiet life, for it is only in an atmosphere of quiet that true joy can live — Bertrand Russell, British philosopher (1872-1970).

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Banks lend \$1b

Argentina takes step to resolve debt crisis

NEW YORK, Jan. 1 (R) — Argentina signed a \$1.1 billion loan with its international bank creditors, marking a major step toward the resolution of its debt crisis.

Citibank, representing the banking consortium, said in a statement the 15-month bridging credit was signed by representatives of about 250 banks and Argentina's central bank.

The loan is designed to meet Argentina's immediate needs and will be followed by a \$1.5 billion, five-year loan and a refinancing of \$5.5 billion of debt falling due by the end of 1983, banking sources said.

The banks include Citibank, Bank of America, Credit Lyonnais of France, Credit Suisse of Switzerland, Deutsch-Sudamerikanische Bank of West Germany, Lloyds Bank International of London, Royal Bank of Canada, Bank of Tokyo and other leading financial institutions.

"The success of this syndication is an expression of confidence by the international banking community in Argentina's future," said William Rhodes, a Citibank senior vice president and chairman of the banks' working committee for Argentina.

African economy in disarray

ADDIS ABABA, Jan. 1 (AFP) — Even the gloomy forecasts for the African economy in 1982 proved to be too optimistic compared with actual economic conditions and performance, the executive secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) said in his traditional year-end review.

Prof. A. Adedeji, giving the review here, said the general decline in economic activity throughout the continent had led to a negative growth rate, accompanied by a "most serious" balance of payments deficit.

African government policies, which were often unfavorable to saving, investment and production, climatic conditions and the serious impact of recession in the industrialized countries, were in large part responsible for the economic deterioration, he said.

The professor is also undersecretary-general of the United Nations, of which the ECA is an agency.

He said the fall in the demand for African exports and a drop in their prices had led to an excess of industrial capacity, while the scarcity of finished products had remained.

"For some months during the year, quite a few African governments had difficulty in paying the salaries and wages of their public servants," Prof. Adedeji noted.

He added that the level of foreign exchange reserves for most African countries had fallen to under one month's imports, the

Soviets tighten screws on farm aides

MOSCOW, Jan. 1 (R) — The Soviet leadership has warned heads of government ministries linked to agriculture that they will be held personally responsible for ensuring the spring grain crop is sown on time this year.

The message was spelled out at a recent meeting of the Communist Party's ruling Politburo which was reported Saturday in the party newspaper Pravda.

Pravda said the Politburo "drew the attention of chiefs of ministries and departments involved in the agro-industrial complex to their personal responsibility for successfully solving all questions to do with preparations

Tanker market outlook gloomy

LONDON, Jan. 1 (AFP) — The oil tanker market has rough seas ahead, with no revival in sight for at least another two to three years, the London-based shipbroker E. A. Gibson has said.

Even such a distant recovery is dependent on a sufficient depletion of the world's tanker fleet, which in turn requires a doubling of the scrapping rate from this year's figure of 25 million tons deadweight, it added.

The tanker market currently presents a picture of spot voyage chartering, with little or no period employment obtainable.

This will obviously be a continuing pattern, Gibson said, because neither the major charterers nor the independents are able to assess future demand or supply with any accuracy.

The run-down of the world tanker fleet should, however, give some hope that a certain amount of period chartering will be necessary to cover the requirements of major oil companies, the shipbroker added.

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Wall Street

Optimism runs high among stock analysts

NEW YORK, Jan. 1 (R) — Wall Street forecasters see higher stock prices in 1983, basing their view on expectations that the nation's long-awaited economic recovery will finally begin this spring.

A major uncertainty hanging over the stock market is how President Ronald Reagan and the new, more heavily Democratic Congress will work together, but this has not dimmed market analysts' general optimism.

The analysts, in interviews with Reuters, said the Dow Jones industrial average of 30 leading industrial shares should spend most of 1983 well above the 1000 level — a level not far short of the record high reached by the Dow this year after one of the strongest sustained rallies in Wall Street history.

Spurred by forecasts of lower interest rates, the stock market exploded in mid-August and never looked back. The Dow climbed by some 200 points in the next six weeks in frenzied trading that often exceeded 100 million shares in a single day.

As the buying stampede continued, the Dow broke a 10-year-old record closing high on Nov. 3, finishing at 1065.49. It closed at a record high 1070.55 last Monday from its 1982 low of 776.92 on August 12 before ending the year on a mixed note at 1046.54.

Analyst Newton Zinder of E.F. Hutton and company believes the market has reached a new level in its historic cyclical pattern. "For the balance of the decade we could be looking at the (Dow) 1000 level as a floor, rather than a ceiling as it was in the 1970s," he said.

After its extraordinary rise in recent months, analysts generally expect the stock market to pull back somewhat in the first quarter of 1983 for a period of consolidation. "The first quarter will tend to be laggard," said Monte Gordon of Dreyfus Corporation. "The market will be exhausted from the emotional binge that marked the closing weeks of 1982."

Zinder expects a lengthy consolidation, after a strong start in the new year. "I expect the market to correct down to the (Dow) 980 to 990 range, which isn't that low. But if you reach 1100 at the beginning, which I expect, it will look like a big drop," he said.

Robert Stovall of Dean Witter Reynolds believes the market could fall as low as 920 during 1983, could rise as high as 1190, and should stand at around 1100 a year from now.

"The big risk will be in the first five months," said Stovall. He and other analysts say investors will be closely watching the actions of U.S. President Reagan and



STOCK MARKET RALLY: The year-end rally on Wall Street picked up steam last week with the Dow Jones Industrial average climbing 25.48 points to all-time high of 1,070.55. Here brokers at the New York Stock Exchange are seen as busy as beavers.

the new Congress.

"It could be a more difficult environment for both the administration and the Federal Reserve," said Gordon. "If you get major spending bills piling out of Congress and Reagan is no longer seen as invincible, the market will be concerned. It may strive to go higher, but it won't be easy," he said.

However, Gordon still expects the market to move upward and said there was a possibility the Dow could reach 1500, although 1200 was a more likely ceiling.

Chester Pado of G. Tsai and Company expects a strong year for the market but warned that "a turnaround in the economy must occur." He added, "the market is a forecasting tool, and since August the mar-

Weekly commodities

Gold, silver surge in restricted trading

LONDON, Jan. 1 (AFP) — Commodity markets fluctuated vigorously this week during the restricted trading because of the year-end holidays.

New peaks for the year were established for copper, silver and aluminium, and gold topped its highest for three months. Cocoa held firm, reaching new nine-month highs.

Early encouragement provided from the cut in United States interest rates, but sentiment was later unsettled following increases in broker loan rates by major U.S. banks.

Year-end considerations attracted limited buying at first, but price movements were often exaggerated because of the seasonal quietness of the markets.

An excuse for late buying came from sterling's loss of early firmness. The pound eased because, as a petro-currency, it would be directly affected by the cuts in crude oil prices that are now being mooted.

Gold reached its highest since early September, aided as it was by the rise in New York and the weakness of the dollar against European currencies. But then profit-taking intervened.

Silver reached a two-year record, although market stocks continued to rise. Platinum moved with gold, while palladium was quoted at an 18-month high.

Copper touched a new 15-month high despite the very sharp rise stocks to 244.350 tons, the highest since April 1979. Aluminium, although subdued by a further stock increase to a record 236.775 tons, edged up to its highest since last December.

Lead followed copper, although metal in warehouses amounted to a record 126,000 tons. Zinc fluctuated higher as stocks were reduced for the fourth successive week.

Nickel showed late firmness, having eased at first after the sharp stock rise to 5,892 tons — the highest since July 1980.

Tin remained steady, supported by the tin

resumed on Tuesday Jan. 4.

"Grain futures were virtually the same throughout in neglected conditions. Imported grains had slightly lower prices marked against U.S. northern spring wheat and French maize.

Vegetable oils were very quiet. In thin trading, some buying interest was noted for sunflowerseed oil. Linseed oil, priced in sterling, fluctuated on currency factors.

Sugar futures eased, and "spot" whites (refined) sugar fell to its lowest for two weeks because of the current abundance of European Economic Community supplies and a rumored cheap sale to Syria by an unknown source. Egyptian purchases were also said to have been done at below market levels.

Cocoa's early firmness was difficult to maintain in view of selling offers from Ghana.

China call to step up imports

PEKING, Jan. 1 (R) — China called on its state-run trading houses to take advantage of the current slump in the capitalist world to import badly-needed equipment at lower prices.

"The capitalist economies are experiencing a slump at the moment," the People's Daily said in a new year's eve editorial. "The prices of many products are dropping while only a few are rising. We should make good use of this opportunity...to import some badly-needed technology, equipment and materials to liven our domestic economy."

At the same time the Communist Party paper called for greater protectionism against some types of imports such as consumer products to assist its own industries. "Blind importing must be opposed and we must protect our national industries. We must strictly control imports of equipment we can make and supply ourselves, especially consumer

products," the paper added.

The People's Daily also called for Chinese export products to be more competitive, by raising their quality, improving often primitive packaging, and better advertising methods.

In another official newspaper, Shanghai's Wen Hui Bao, a prominent Chinese industrialist said China should invest abroad, as well as attracting foreign investment to China, as a means of improving its knowledge of up-to-date foreign know-how.

This idea was put forward by Liu Jingji, chairman of the Shanghai Federation of Industry and Commerce and himself a rich former capitalist.

A major problem hindering the modernization of Chinese industry is that many of China's best businessmen fled the country in the 1950s as their property was expropriated by the Communists.

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Government says

U.S. big industry set for a comeback

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1 (AP) — U.S. big industry will make broad-based comeback in 1983, with four out of every five manufacturing categories expected to increase shipments over recession-plagued 1982, the administration says.

Recovery for the overall economy will be modest, static, and some industries will not start in the upturn, but the trend is toward improvement, according to the Commerce Department's 588-page 1983 U.S. industrial book.

The report, released Friday, said 82 percent of the 212 manufacturing industries reviewed for the book expect higher shipments next year than in 1982. Only 31 percent showed growth this year over 1981.

A summary report on the big book said several large industries "hold the key to the recovery" and to long-term economic growth. Those include construction, autos, steel and savings and loan associations, each of which "had a very difficult 1982," it said.

The report said the building sector would see an upturn, with the value of new buildings rising by four percent in constant terms to reach the highest level since 1978.

The auto industry will also improve, with the value of delivered vehicles rising by 29 percent.

The steel industry will also pick up. Deliveries of steel products should total between 75 and 80 million tons. This compares with 60 million in 1982 which was the lowest since 1958. But this is conditional on an upturn in the auto industry and on restocking by other industries.

The report summary also mentioned several industrial "bright stars" for the future — "the high technology area." Those include electronic computing equipment, semiconductors and related devices, games, toys and children's vehicles, robotics, surgical and medical instruments, radio and television communications equipment and guided missiles and space vehicles.

The listed industries recorded gains through the recession and they will post records in 1983," the report said. "Although foreign competition is intensifying, all these industries should be able to maintain rapid growth" it said.

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Asia-Pacific borrowing soars

HONG KONG, Jan. 1 (R) — A Asia-Pacific borrowers raised an unprecedented \$27.54 billion through offshore syndicated credits in 1982, 48.9 percent more than last year, Asian finance magazine said in a regional loan survey report.

The report said, however, that all in all volumes are expected to fall somewhat in 1983. Sovereign borrowers for instance are likely to be more cautious in the face of higher prices.

South Korea, maintaining an established steady borrowing pace, raised the second highest amount of \$4.86 billion but tapped the market most with 54 deals, the survey shows.

The survey, to be published in the monthly magazine's January edition, shows New Zealand was the third largest borrower with \$3.62 billion, up 38.5 percent from 1981.

Other major borrowers were Malaysia with \$2.62 billion, Hong Kong 1.75 billion, Indonesia 1.67 billion, the Philippines 1.40 billion, India 1.17 billion, Singapore 794.9 million and Thailand 738.8 million.

Much of the overall volume increase came from project financing, and some 179 banks

from around the world were involved in Asia-Pacific syndications this year, many of them U.S. regional banks seen in this region for the first time.

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Also, because a number of Australian projects have been postponed due to difficult economic conditions, it is doubtful that country will generate the same degree of demand as last year, it said.

The size of individual Australian deals this year is well illustrated by a CSR Ltd, \$950 million funding in connection with its acquisition of Delhi Petroleum, and a 1.25 billion financing for the Eraring Power Co. of New South Wales.

The survey report notes too that New Zealand, whose 1982 borrowing included a \$1.7 billion jumbo deal for the New Zealand Synthetic Fuel Corp. to fund a gas-to-gasoline project, does not have any other massive project in the pipeline.

Helping to fuel all the spending excitement

are lower interest rates, which have fallen by up to a third in recent months, and the easing of credit restrictions.

Parallel to this, it is claimed here that the spending power of pay packets is starting to grow thanks to the dwindling inflation rate, which now stands at an annual six percent, the lowest in 10 years.

Pay rises, now averaging eight percent, are said to be at last overtaking inflation, even if salaries are still at a five-year low. And more than four million families paying off mortgages on their homes found they had more money left over for extra purchases thanks to the five percent drop in interest rates on home loans since the beginning of the year.

Consumers are clearly banking on tax cuts at the beginning of spring, not only because of the country's improving economy but also because of the approaching general elections, which traditionally bring a tax bonanza.

But all of this spending has done little to lift the gloom enveloping British industry, since the growing consumer demand appears to have benefited imports more than locally-made goods.

Manufacturing output has dropped three percent over the past year to plumb a 15-year low last month, industry's order books are still shrinking and businessmen see no improvement in sight.

BRIEFS

BRUSSELS, (AP) — The European Economic Community and Gabon have signed a 2,700 million CFA franc (\$8.06 million) deal for the EEC to help finance mining prospecting in Gabon through the European Development Fund, the two sides announced here. The EEC will contribute 1,700 million CFA francs and Gabon the balance. Prospecting will start early next year and last for 28 months.

WIESBADEN, (R) — The West German import price index, base 1976, rose 0.1 percent to 147.1 in November from October to stand 2.7 percent higher than November 1981, the federal statistics office said. Import prices fell 1.7 percent in the year to October after a 0.6 percent fall in the year to September.

ALGIERS, (AFP) — Algeria has denied rumors that it is to revise the terms of its 1980 contract to sell Belgium 5,000 million cubic meters of natural gas a year for 20 years. Senior officials said the contract, between Distrigaz of Belgium and Sonatrach of Algeria, had never been the subject of government-level discussions.

WASHINGTON, (R) — U.S. farm prices decreased 1.6 percent in December after increasing 1.8 percent last month and were 0.8 percent below last year, the U.S. Agriculture Department said. The overall fall in farm prices reflected lower values for oranges, tomatoes, cattle and eggs.

AMSTERDAM, (R) — Dutch gold and

Financial Roundup

Dollar closes on firm note

By J.H. Hammond

JEDDAH, Jan. 1 — The dollar closed on a slightly firmer note on the year-end closing markets in New York. Trading was extremely thin and unadventurous with profit-taking and book-squaring dominating nearly all the major transactions.

Eurodollar rates closed somewhat up and uneven after the Federal Reserve's "Fed fund" prime lending rate shot up to 14-1/4 percent levels but closed the year lower at 9 1/4 percent. The "Fed" injected liquidity into the banking system to avoid the impression that it was sidetracking from its recent policy of engineering interest rates down. Still Eurodollar deposit rates closed firmer at 9 7/16 percent for the one-year period. No more commercial banks followed suit and cut their prime lending rates to 11 percent following Chase Manhattan's action last week. In fact Thursday night saw several of the larger U.S. clearing banks raise their broker loan rates by one half percent to 11 1/2 percent levels.

The American currency, despite its recent slide, closed the year on a firmer note compared with December 1981. The French franc, sterling and the yen are still below the levels reached a year ago but the Swiss franc and the German mark are also weaker. The British pound closed the year on a note of uncertainty over

confusion of OPEC oil pricing, and sterling traded at the 1.6190 levels in New York after rising to 1.6250 earlier in Europe.

The Japanese yen was also down to 234.60 from 232.00 levels reached last week, but the German mark was steady at 2.3750. The Swiss franc slipped to 2.00 levels on profit-taking, after fluctuating around the 1.9980 all week. The French franc was 100 points weaker at 6.7400 but over one franc lower compared to prices a year ago.

Bullion dealers can look back with satisfaction for despite all the wild fluctuations of the past year, prices have closed well on the shorter tenors and remaining steady on the longer-dated funds. The week-fixed deposit was quoted at 8 1/2 - 9 1/4 percent in very thin trading. Spot riyal dollar rates were quoted at 3.4400-05.

Tourism poised to forge ahead

NEW DELHI, Jan. 1 (R) — Tourism, fostered by the development of mass air travel, could become the world's largest public service industry by the end of this century, according to officials at an international air travel conference here.

World tourism has increased at an average rate of 6.3 percent a year since the 1960s to reach a record 285 million tourists in 1981, delegates to the congress of the International Civil Airports Association (ICAA) were told.

As Liverpool strengthens position

Rush goals crush Notts County

LONDON, Jan. 1 (AP) — Ian Rush celebrated the New Year Saturday with three more goals as Liverpool slammed Notts County 5-1 and pulled away to a eight points lead in the English Soccer Championship.

It was the third time this season Rush had scored three goals in a game. He lifted his season's total to 20.

Vladimir Petrovic, Yugoslav international, made a brilliant debut for Arsenal and helped in a 2-1 win over Swans.

Manchester United beat Aston Villa, reigning European champions, 3-1 and joined Nottingham Forest and Watford in joint second place with 39 points.

Forest were held to a 0-0 draw at home by Sunderland, bottom team in the standings, who completed a remarkable festive week. Sunderland have drawn with three of the top team — Liverpool, Manchester United and Forest.

Rush began his goals feast with a glancing header in the 15th minute. Justin Fashanu levelled the scores three minutes later but Liverpool's twin attacking spearhead of Rush and Dalglish took charge of the game. Dalglish sent a left-foot shot crashing into the net at 30 minutes. After Phil Neal had missed a penalty for Liverpool, Dalglish scored again from a seemingly impossible angle in the 72nd minute. Rush added two more — a low shot (78) and a rebound (87).

Forest dominated the game, but after striker Garry Birtles had limped off with a thigh injury in the 33rd minute, seldom looked like scoring. Colin Walsh, substituting for Birtles, went nears with a shot that crashed against the woodwork.

Villa, played its fifth straight game without a win. Frank Stapleton sent Manchester into the lead in the 30th minute. Gordon Cowans immediately equalized with a penalty, and Villa stayed level until the 63rd minute. Then Steve Coppell scored with a magnificent shot from 25 meters. Coppell placed a free-kick for Stapleton to head Manchester's third goal.

A goal by Kenny Jackett in the 78th minute almost carried Watford victory. But Peter

Ward saved the game with a shot on the rebound five minutes from time.

Tony Cottee, 17, played his first game for West Ham and scored a goal in the 27th minute. Good play by Alan Devonshire led to West Ham's other goals, a penalty by Ray Stewart in the 67th minute and a shot by Geoff Pike in the 76th minute.

Arsenal's goals were scored by Alan Sunderland and Tony Woodcock in the first five minutes. Petrovic, whose transfer to Arsenal has been blocked for months by Yugoslav authorities until it was finalized this week, split the Swans' defense with a wonderful pass for Woodcock's goal. Alan Curtis scored for Swans.

Dutch star Frans Thijssen set up the chance for Paul Mariner to score for Ipswich in the 38th minute. Russell Osman made it 2-0 in the 65th minute, and Mark Wright replied

seven minutes later with his first-ever goal in league soccer.

Kevin Bond scored for Manchester in the 31st minute, but Mike Ferguson changed the game with two spectacular goals — one from 25 meters on the stroke of half-time and one from 20 meters in the 53rd minute. Peter Bodak, on loan from Manchester United, added an equalizer one minute later.

Everton trailed twice, but in the end only great goalkeeping by Tony Godden stopped an Everton victory. Dutch star Romeo Zender van scored for West Bromwich in the sixth minute, but Grahame Sharp headed in off a post two minutes later. Gary Owen restored the home team's lead (52) but Mark Higgins got Everton's second equalizer from a corner.

First half goals by Steve Whittin and Jim McIvor sent Luton deep into trouble in the bottom places of the standings.

English Soccer results

English Division One		
Arsenal	2	Swansea
Birmingham	2	Leeds
Brighton	1	Watford
Brondum	2	Southampton
Chesterfield	1	
Everton	5	Notts County
Forest	2	Coventry
Man. United	3	Aston Villa
Nottingham	0	Sunderland
Nottingham Forest	1	Norwich
Stoke	2	Everton
West Bromwich	3	Tottenham
West Ham	0	
Division Two		
Barnsley	4	Grimsby
Bolton	1	Blackburn
Bury	4	Sheffield Wednesday
Crystal Palace	1	Leicester
Fulham	1	Wolverhampton
Middlesbrough	0	Leeds
Newcastle	2	Cardiff
Oldham	2	Derby
Sherburne	2	Chelsea
Robertson	1	Charlton
Division Three		
Bournemouth	4	Brentford
Cardiff	3	Bristol Rovers
Exeter	0	Newport
Gillingham	1	Lincoln
	2	
Division Four		
Huddersfield	6	Bradford
Millwall	1	Chesterfield
Oxford	1	Southend
Plymouth	2	Wigan
Sheff.	3	Orient
United	1	
Watford	1	Doncaster
Wrexham	4	Reading
Scottish Premier Division		
Aldershot	2	Mansfield
Bristol City	1	Swindon
Cardiff	2	Blackpool
Hull	2	Port Vale
Northampton	4	Hereford
Peterborough	2	Chester
Scunthorpe	4	Hallifax
Stockport	2	Bury
Wimbledon	5	Darlington
York	1	Crewe
Tranmere	0	
Scottish First Division		
Kilmarnock	0	Motherwell
Moray	2	St. Mirren
Rangers	2	Celtic
Dundee	0	Dundee United
Hibernian	0	Hibernian
Division One		
Clyde	0	Queen's Park
Hibernian	0	Airdrie
Partick	2	Ayr
Raith	6	Dundfermline
Allots	0	Falkirk
Dumbarton	0	Clydebank
Hibs	1	St. Johnstone

Gone is the glow of Italian soccer sunshine

ROME, Jan. 1 (R) — Italy's soccer players, hailed as heroes when they lifted the World Cup just five months ago, ended the year in the doldrums.

The magic of the side which humbled Brazil, Argentina, and West Germany in the Spanish sunshine in July now seems to have evaporated into the wintry atmosphere. The team which sent 86-year-old Italian President Sandro Pertini into fits ofchildlike glee, and was received by the Pope did not muster a win since crushing West Germany 3-1 in a one-sided final.

Instead Italy's soccer idols have been beaten 1-0 by Switzerland in a friendly, and held to a draw by Czechoslovakia, and Romania in European Championships qualifying matches. And the players have looked like ordinary, rather tired mortals. Now fans and soccer commentators here, not known for their generosity or patience, are clamoring for changes.

Paolo Rossi is the player who has undergone the most striking change of fortune. Rossi, Italy's six-goal hero in Spain where he was named the player of the tournament, has since been voted European Footballer of the year. But his form since Spain has been dismal. He has scored just twice in the league for Juventus, and has yet to find the net for the international side.

Rossi has blamed his poor performances on excessive pressure, claiming people are

being too hard on him. And it is perhaps symbolic of his current fortune that he is ending his greatest year with a leg injury that could keep him out for a month.

Striker Francesco Graziani and midfielder Marco Tardelli have also struggled to find the form displayed to the world in Spain.

"We are no longer the lions of Spain," midfielder Giancarlo Antognoni declared after the 0-0 draw with Romania this month, leaving the Italians with an uphill struggle to qualify for the European Championship finals in France in 1984.

Manager Enzo Bearzot's plans have also been wrecked by injuries to Graziani and attacking left-back Antonio Cabrini, whose penetrating runs along the flank and accurate crosses have been sorely missed.

"And the Italians' luck has also run out. Penalty appeals, which looked valid in slow-motion television replays, have been turned down, and the president of the Italian Football Federation, Federico Sordillo, accused referees this month of plotting to dethrone the champions.

Commentators say the World Champions have become complacent. Several players have blamed the poor results on opponents who are "out to get us." Antognoni said this month that the best player against Romania was substitute sweeper Giuseppe Barlesi of Inter-Milan, the only member of the side who was not in Spain.

Ehlvest keeps slender lead

GRONINGEN, Netherlands, Jan. 1 (AP) — Jaan Ehlvest of the Soviet Union won his game in tenth-round action to maintain a half point lead over Denmark's Curt Hansen in the standings of the European Junior Chess Championship Friday night.

Ehlvest was pitted with black in Pirc defense against Holland's Manuel Bosboom. Profiting from his opponents over-aggressive play, he soon won a pawn, unleashed a devastating king's side attack and clinched victory on his 35th move.

With three more rounds to go in the tournament, Ehlvest leads the field of thirty under-21 competitors with nine points, half a point ahead of Hansen, who downed Holland's Friso Nijboer in 41 moves from a Nimzo-Indian defense with white.

Other results: Mark Condie, Scotland — Juergen Graf, West Germany, 1-0; Elvar Gudmundsson, Iceland — Carlo D'Amore, Italy, 1-0; PLA Cramling, Sweden — Pierre Moulin, Belgium, 1-0; Michael Hofmann, Switzerland — Daniel King, England, 0-1; Gilles Miralles, France — Tamás Ütasi, Hungary, 0-1; Lars Schandorff, Denmark — Piotr Staniszewski, Poland, 1-0.

Entries invited for tennis tournament

JEDDAH, Jan. 1 — The Litton-Philippine Airline Open Tennis Tournament is scheduled for take-off on Jan. 20.

The tournament which will be played at the Litton compound, Jeddah will run through Jan. 28 and will include men's singles, men's doubles grandmasters singles (45 years and above) and boys' singles (16 years and under).

Entry forms, available at the Philippine Airlines on Medina Road, the guardgate at the Litton compound or at the various sports goods stores in Jeddah, close on Jan. 6 at 6.00 p.m.

Austrian skier wins

GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN, West Germany, Jan. 1 (AP) — Armin Kogler of Austria scored a narrow victory here Saturday in the third competition of the World Cup Ski Jumping series. It was also the second event of the annual Four Hills Trophy.

The 23 year-old Kogler totaled 242.3 points with jumps of 101.5 and 97.5m. Runner up Stein Braten of Norway scored an aggregate of 242.2 from jumps of 99 and 103.1m.

Butko one quite expected the Indonesians to be beaten so comprehensively both at their own property, winning it seven times out of 11.

True, China competing for the first time, had taken two titles at the All-England Badminton Championships in March, while Indonesia failed to take a title for the first time since 1967.

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The most spectacular feature of the Chinese Thomas Cup victory, in the Albert Hall,

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China's giant leap to the top

PARIS, Jan. 1 (AP) — If one single country could be said to have made giant sporting strides this year, then it would probably be China.

The recent Asian Games saw the Chinese toppling Japan from their perch as Asia's top sporting nation but a signal of China's advance in world sport had come earlier in the year with their unexpected victory, at the first attempt, in the Thomas Cup, World Team Badminton Championship.

In the final they ousted holders Indonesia, the country which had almost made the Cup their own property, winning it seven times

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ABC buys cover for Games risk

NOVATO, California, Jan. 1 (AP) — ABC, which has broadcast rights to the 1984 Olympic Games in Los Angeles, has bought a 200 million-dollar insurance policy to protect itself from financial losses should the Games be canceled in a manner that could affect

ABC will be paid under the Fireman's Fund Insurance Co. policy if any number of things occur during the Games that could cause the television network's expenses to exceed anticipated revenues for the Olympic telecasts.

ABC radio broadcasts are also covered by the policy, the largest ever written to cover broadcasting rights and production costs for sporting events, according to Stephen N. Brett, a fireman's fund executive here.

Fireman's fund wouldn't say how much ABC paid for the policy. The network paid \$225 million for rights to broadcast the Games.

The network could be compensated by Fireman's Fund if one or more of 10 key countries, including the United States and the Soviet Union, withdraw from the Olympics, resulting in a revenue loss for ABC.

Other countries whose withdrawal is covered under the policy are the United Kingdom, France, China, East Germany, West Germany, Japan, Canada and Australia.

ABC is protected if the Olympic Games are canceled or postponed because of political disturbances such as war, or natural disturbances, such as an earthquake.

Protection is also afforded in the event a strike, lockout or other labor disputes force cancellation or postponement of the Olympics, or if the Games are transferred to another site.

Miller romps into maiden Grand Prix semifinals

MELBOURNE, Jan. 1 (AP) — Former Australian junior champion Craig Miller reached his first semifinal of a Grand Prix Tournament when he eliminated fellow Australian Brad Drewett in the \$75,000 Victorian Open at Kooyong Saturday.

Miller, 20, defeated Drewett 6-3, 7-6 in a singles quarterfinal. New-found confidence has given Miller the ability to ignore the reputations of the big-name players. He said that the new attitude made all the difference to his game.

He has been working with Australia's national coach Ray Ruffles whom he says has been instrumental in his progress. "He's been telling me for years that I should be fitter and now the work I've done has paid off," he said. "This is the fittest I've ever been and it has given me a two points a game advantage.

In another quarterfinal, former Wimbledon semifinalist Rod Frawley, the No. 6 seed scraped through to the semifinals in three sets.

Meanwhile, American Grace Kim upset ninth-seeded Anna Maria Cecchini 6-1, 7-5, Friday to reach the semifinals in the girls' 18 year division at the Rolex International Junior Tennis Championships in Port Washington.

In other girls' 18 quarterfinals, top seed Jennifer Fuqua beat fellow American Brenda Ruel 6-2, 6-3; Amanda Goles of Yugoslavia, defeated Octavia Keppeler of West Germany 6-4, 1-4; and, Melissa Brown eliminated fellow American Terry Phelps, 4-6, 6-4, 6-1.

In the boys' 18 quarterfinals, top player Martina Navratilova, will vie for \$150,000 in prize money beginning Monday in the Virginia Slims of Washington.

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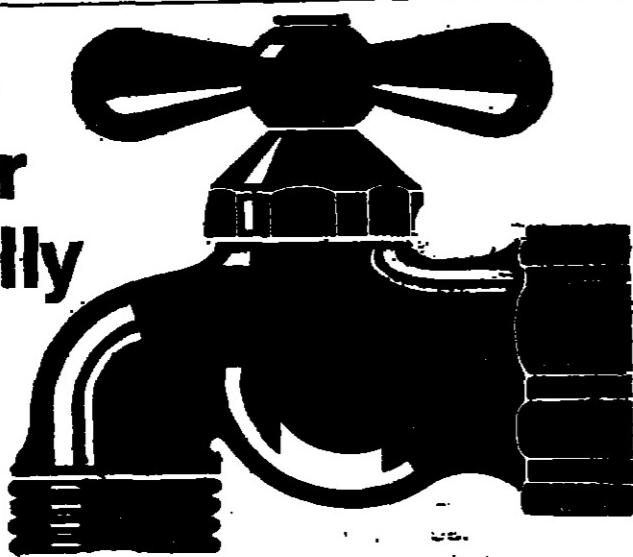
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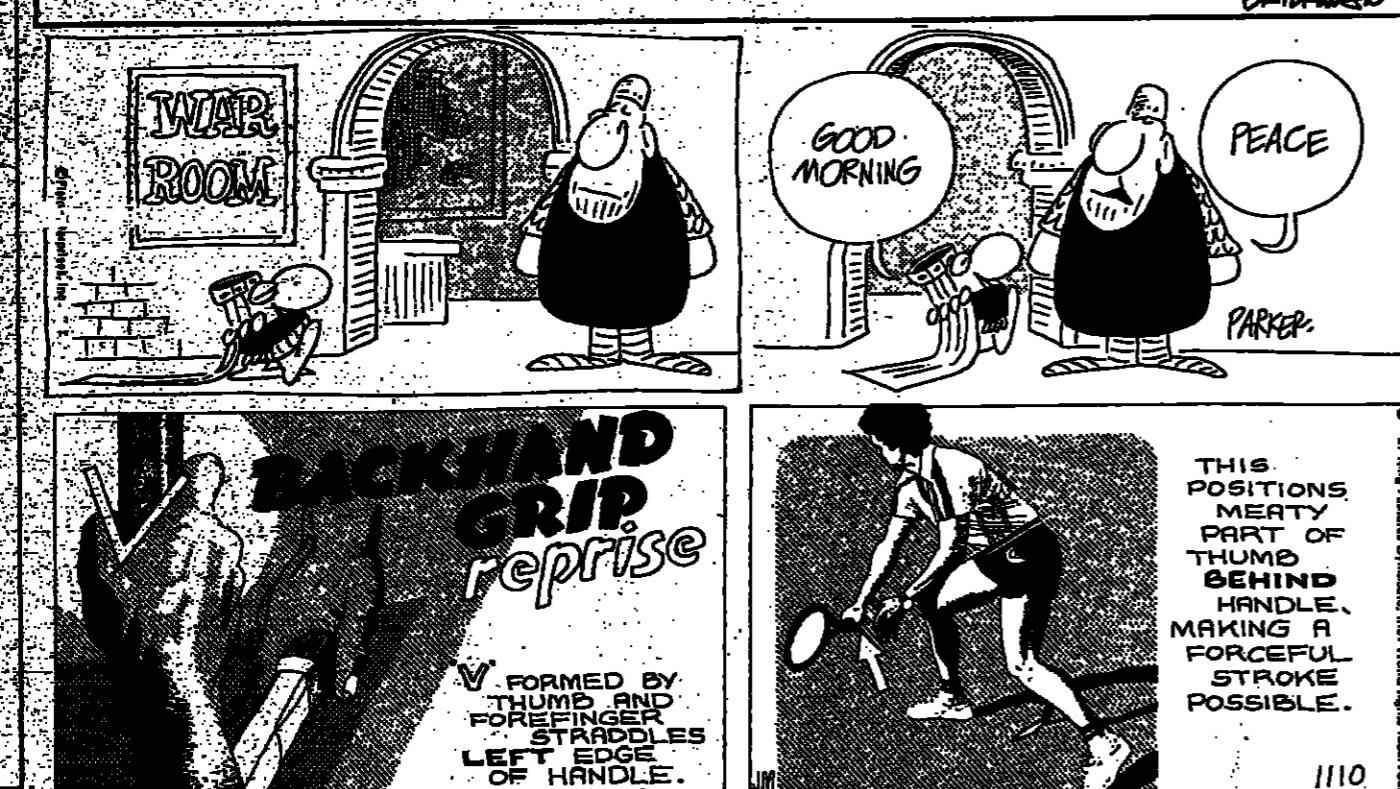
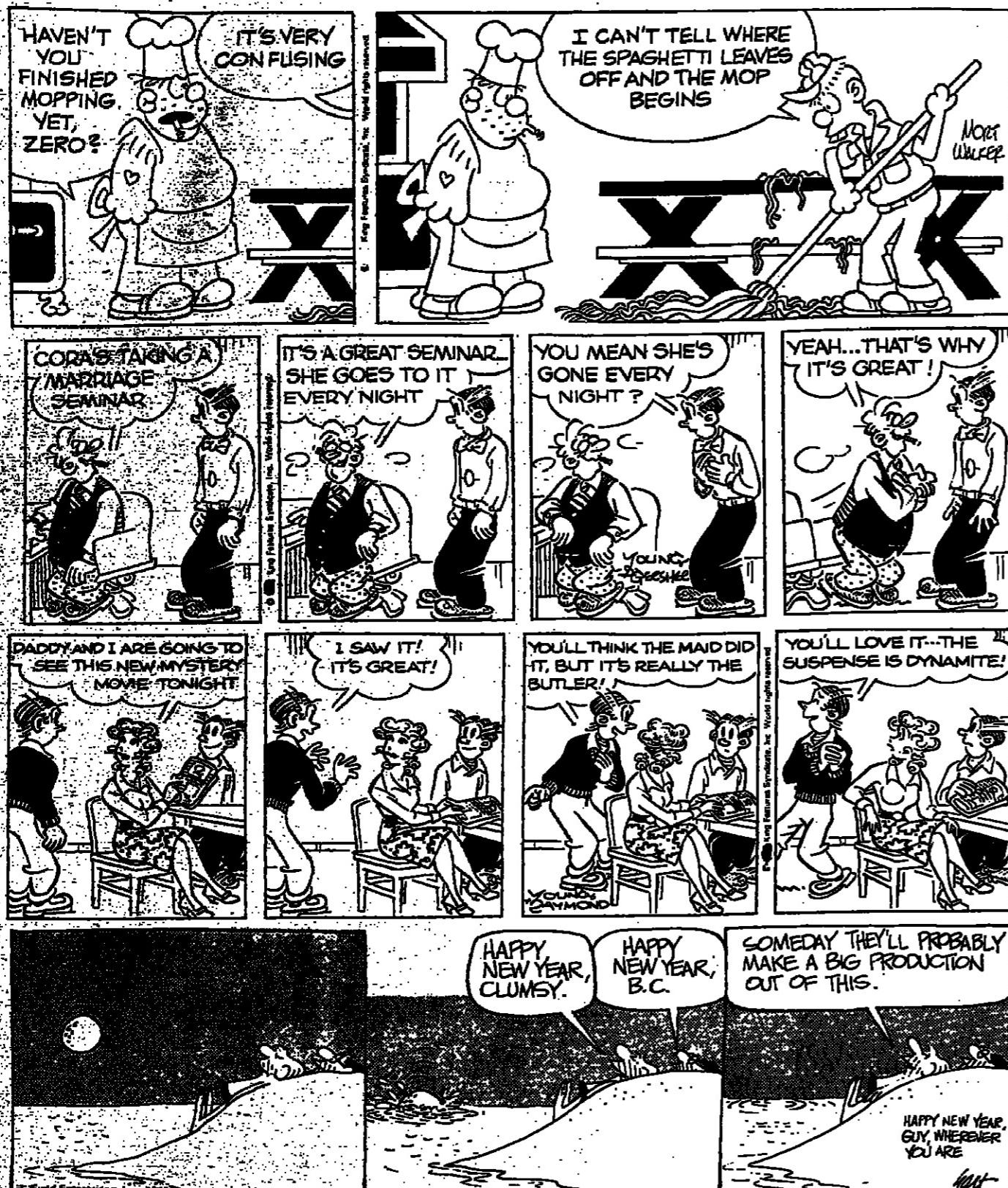
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TAURUS

(Apr. 20 to May 20)
You'll make important decisions about domestic matters and receive some good news from a relative. Enjoy entertaining at home.

LEO

(July 23 to Aug. 22)
It's a fine time to indulge in your favorite hobby. You're

Rapport with others puts you in a happy frame of mind. Gadding about with loved ones leads to a day filled with a special kind of fun.

CANCER
(June 21 to July 22)
Mixing business with pleasure could lead to wonderful opportunities. Common sense and charm combine to bring you success.

SCORPIO
(Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)
You'll find new ways to improve both your income and your status in life. A desire for beautiful things sends you on a shopping spree.

SAGITTARIUS
(Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

It's a fine time to indulge in your favorite hobby. You're

popular now and will attract new romance and win admiration from others.

VIRGO
(Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)
It's a quiet time, but a fulfilling one. You'll opt for needed privacy and will be busy with personal pursuits. Romance is likely.

LIBRA
(Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)
Participate in group functions. You couldn't find a better time than the present to express your ideas to others. Enjoy travel, too!

AQUARIUS
(Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)

By all means participate in group activities now. Surrounded by friends and loved ones, you should have a very nice day.

PISCES
(Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)

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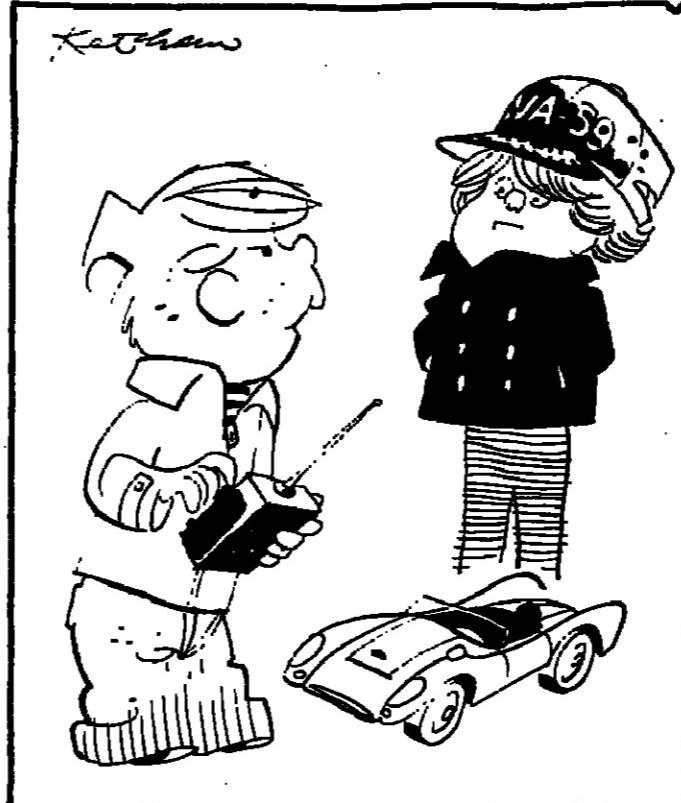
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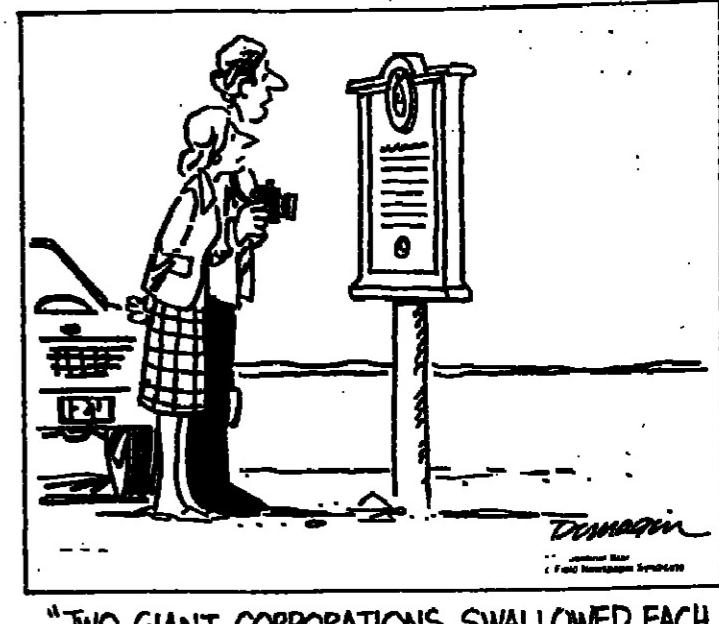
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- Traffic Program
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- TV Movie
- Arabic News
- Daily Arabic Series
- Selected Songs
- Arabic Weekly Series
- Education

Dhahran

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- 4:40 Big League Soccer Week, No. 27
- 5:33 People Special
- 5:53 House and Mother
- 5:56 Letters and Shirkie You've Paged Me too Far
- 6:24 Underwater World
- 7:53 Love Lucy
- 8:00 The Opera
- 7:16 The Engineers

Bahrain Channel 4

- 4:00 Quran
- Religious Talk
- 4:20 Program Preview
- 4:25 Cartoons
- 5:30 360 Degrees
- 6:00 Health Program
- 6:30 Pandor My Genie
- 7:00 Daily Arabic Series
- 8:00 Arabic News
- 8:30 Local Interview Program
- 9:30 Tomorrow's Programs
- 9:35 Daily Arabic Series
- 10:25 Evening at the Door

Bahrain Channel 10

- 4:00 Holy Quran
- 4:15 Religious Talk
- 4:30 Cartoons
- 5:30 Arabic Cartoons
- 5:30 Religious Talk
- 6:00 Program Preview
- 6:30 Blue Marine
- 7:30 Local News
- 8:00 News
- 8:30 Caedid Camera
- 8:40 Light of Justice
- 9:31 Late News from the City, followed by

Dubai Channel 33

- 5:00 Holy Quran
- 5:10 Hans Anderson
- 5:30 Brother Buzz
- 6:00 News
- 6:30 Documentary
- 6:50 Bedtime Story
- 7:00 Be My Guest
- 7:30 Doris Day Show
- 8:00 Local News
- 9:00 Islamic Horizons
- 9:10 Minder
- 10:00 World News
- 10:30 Feature Film
- 12:00 Countdown

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- 7:00 Quran
- 7:45 Arabic
- 7:50 The Little Hobo
- 8:10 Sound Your Wings
- 8:45 Different Stories
- 9:10 World News
- 9:30 Press Roundup

TV Programs

Radio Riyadh

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- 14:00 Heavy Quran
- 14:05 Stories
- 14:07 Islamic Program
- 14:12 Hir in Germany
- 14:42 Economic Magazine
- 14:45 Way of Islam
- 15:00 Quran
- 15:15 From the press
- 15:20 Book Club
- 15:30 Variety
- 15:45 Your Life
- 15:50 News Summary
- 16:00 Cleopatra
- Evening Transmission
- 18:30 French Program
- 19:00 English Resumes
- 20:00 Half-Ocean
- 20:05 Summary
- 20:25 Camp of the Prophet
- 21:16 Call to the Sun
- 21:17 The Our Game
- 21:30 News
- 21:45 Daily Chronicle
- 21:50 Current Affairs
- 22:20 Kingdom & The World
- 22:40 Melody Time
- 23:00 Artists & Their Art
- 23:45 Today's Diary
- 23:48 News Headlines
- 23:55 Program Summary
- 23:55 Holy Quran
- midnight Countdown

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BBC man told to leave Poland

LONDON, Jan. 1 (Agencies) — Kevin Ruane, Warsaw correspondent of the British Broadcasting Corp., has been given until the end of next week to leave Poland, the BBC said Friday night.

Ruane, described by the BBC as one of its most experienced foreign correspondents, was advised that his credentials will not be renewed for 1983. His accreditation ends at midnight Friday but he was given until next Friday to wind up his affairs.

The BBC said Polish authorities were offended by a Panorama program Dec. 13 dealing with the introduction of martial law in Poland and also with Polish language radio broadcasts in the BBC's external services. A spokesman for the corporation said it had been given no indication how long the ban will last but he said a Polish Foreign Ministry official had said it would last until "a concrete initiative to redress the propaganda damage to Poland" was forthcoming.

The spokesman said during the ban the ability to report reliably and at first hand would "inevitably be damaged." The spokesman said: "It is a matter of the greatest

By Asian leaders

Japan's militarism opposed

TOKYO, Jan. 1 (AFP) — Asian leaders have called on Japan to play a greater role in the economic, political and cultural life of the region, but opposed a resurgence of Japan's militarism, which ravished their countries during World War II.

The views were carried in a series of interviews and statements published in the independent *Asahi Shimbun* newspaper Saturday. Indonesian Vice President Adam Malik was the most vocal opponent of a militarily strong Japan. He voiced displeasure at Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone's advocacy of a strong national defense and asked Japan to reject American pressure for a fast military buildup.

North Korean President Kim Il-Sung denounced as "unthinkable" the notion that the Soviet Union was seeking rapprochement with South Korea. He stressed that his country would never invade South Korea in bids to reunify the divided peninsula.

Malaysian Prime Minister Mahathir Muhammad said that his country should "look East" and learn the work ethics of the Japanese people while taking tips from education and enthusiasm for knowledge in the West. The prime minister said he "would not worry" if Japan built up its defense capabilities to relieve the United States of defense in Japan's surrounding areas.

regret that the Polish authorities have taken action against Kevin Ruane, who is one of the BBC's most experienced foreign correspondents and whose reporting from Poland is held in the highest regard."

Many Poles welcomed the suspension of martial law with skepticism and forboding on New Year's eve, resentful of tight new social controls designed to prevent a fresh challenge to Communist authorities.

Units of blue-coated police, with machine pistols slung over their shoulders, mingled with vendors peddling bright balloons which Poles use to decorate their homes during festivals. A chilling fog and slushy streets contributed to an overall mood of gloom as residents of Warsaw pondered the martial law suspension.

"In the 1950s, we had Stalinism, but it wasn't written into law. Now it has been put into legislation," said one government employee, referring to legislation that gives authorities much more control over Poland than before the declaration of martial law Dec. 13, 1981. A senior Polish Communist Party Secretary, Kazimierz Barckowski,

repeated the official statement that no date has been set for complete lifting of martial law, but predicted that it "can be worked out during the coming year."

Martial law leader Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski has warned that the harsh aspects of the military crackdown can be reimposed, without warning, if the authorities feel threatened. Suspension of martial law made little immediate difference in the life of the average Pole. The single most obvious change was in telephone communications, which were severed early during the "state of war" and later restored with tight restrictions.

A recorded female voice which warned each caller that the "conversation is controlled" was withdrawn at midnight Thursday (2300 GMT) and direct dial service was restored to some foreign countries, including Britain and Sweden. Many of the most restrictive aspects of the military crackdown were eased months ago, including regular patrols of armored vehicles in the streets, a curfew and a ban on domestic travel.

With the suspension, Poles regained the right to assemble publicly without special permission, but still have not regained the easy access to travel abroad they enjoyed before the crackdown. The single most restrictive measure taken during the past year was an Oct. 8 bill outlawing the independent Solidarity labor movement.

U.K. arrests 44 anti-Cruise demonstrators

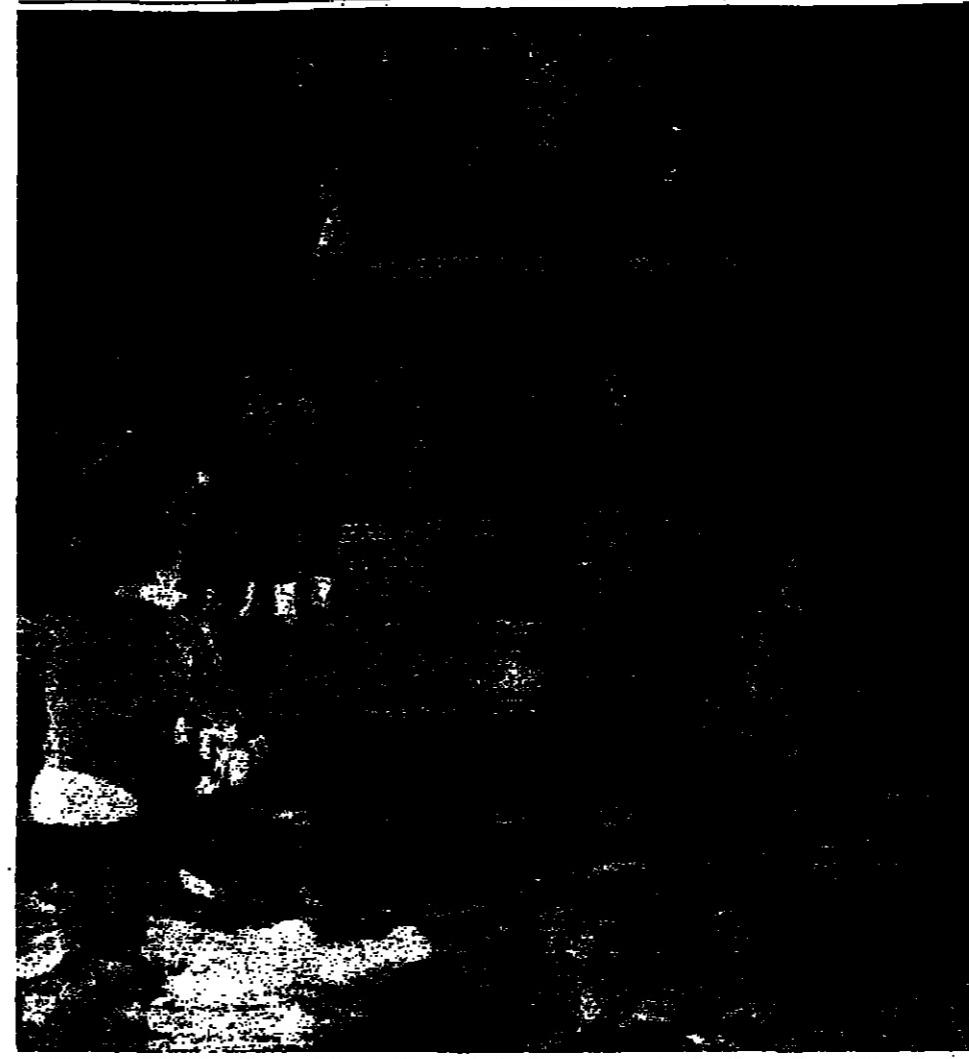
LONDON, Jan. 1 (AFP) — A group of 44 women disarmament supporters were arrested Saturday after entering Greenham Common Anglo-U.S. Military Base west of London during a demonstration against the planned deployment of American Cruise missiles, police reported. A police officer said the women were arrested for breach of the peace after a sit-in of more than an hour on base property.

Members of the women's peace movement have been demonstrating for some months in front of the base, one of two sites where the missiles will be installed next November.

French arms supply to China suggested

PEKING, Jan. 1 (AFP) — France should supply arms to China, members of a small French Communist Marxist-Leninist Party said here Saturday.

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NEW YEAR: Revelers celebrate the arrival of new year in the fountains of London's Trafalgar Square shortly after midnight. More than 100,000 persons had gathered in the square to give 1983 a grand welcome. Two women were killed in the stampede.

Surging crowd kills two women in Trafalgar Square

LONDON, Jan. 1 (AP) — Two women were killed in a surging crowd during New Year revelry in Trafalgar Square early Saturday and a young man died from a heart attack in a separate incident there, the London ambulance service said.

A spokesman said the women were trampled after they fell down when a temporary crush barrier collapsed. The surge also injured 36 other persons, 25 men and 11 women. Eyewitnesses said the traditional revelry attended by more than 100,000 persons turned ugly with a lot of hooliganism, flying bottles and fights. Volunteer first aid workers said they treated 502 persons in the square. The ambulance service said that 118

Miami quiet after Bowl parade

MIAMI, Florida, Jan. 1 (AP) — Under a bright moon, only blocks from this week's sullen violence, a half million people lined the streets of downtown Miami, cheered the Orange Bowl parade and peacefully ushered in the new year.

"The crowd was well behaved and everything ran very smoothly," Miami police Sgt. George Misleh said Friday night after a burst

of fireworks over Biscayne Bay signaled the end to the 49th annual parade.

One bus carrying parade-goers back to their cars was pelted with rocks and bottles as it crossed an intersection in troubled Overtown, where racial violence erupted earlier in the week when a 20-year-old black man was fatally shot by a police officer. Police said none of the passengers was injured.

42 injured in Manila grenade explosion

MANILA, Jan. 1 (AP) — A man threw a hand grenade into a crowd watching new year's tribal dance at Manila's Rizal Park early Saturday, wounding 42 persons; police and hospitals said.

The explosion occurred about 1 a.m. while this capital of 7.5 million people was celebrating the new year with a deafening roar of fireworks. Police said the attacker escaped in the confusion after hurling a fragmentation-type grenade into a huge crowd watching a group of Igorot tribesmen perform an ethnic dance at the capital's biggest park by the bay. "There was a loud explosion and colors went shooting up. I saw people rolling on the ground. I thought, 'they must have been hit.' There was no immediate claim of responsibility but two bombings earlier this week, which left 19 dead and 165 wounded in the provinces, were blamed by police on separatist and Communist rebel groups.

Police investigators said they so far have no clues as to the identity of the grenade thrower or the motive. "It was like a cannon shot, as loud as those cannon booms of salute you hear when the President (Ferdinand E. Marcos) is around," park attendant Dionedes Eusebio, 24, told the Associated Press.

Eusebio said thousands were strolling at the park and hundreds were crowded in a circle watching the tribesmen dance to the beating of a gong when he heard the blast. A stampede broke out. There were cries from the wounded as they fell. "I was at the inner edge of the circle and I had just thrown coins at the dancers when an object, I thought a tin can, landed close and rolled toward us," said Willie Arevalo, a 22-year-old messenger.

Arevalo, wounded in the chest and legs, said he was thrown about 20 feet by the force of the explosion.

Turkey probes validity of Celenk passport

ANKARA, Jan. 1 (AFP) — The Turkish Foreign Ministry has launched an investigation to determine the validity of the passport of Bekir Celenk, whose extradition Turkey is seeking from Bulgaria, well informed sources reported Saturday.

Celenk, wanted here on currency smuggling charges, is also suspected in Italy of involvement in the assassination attempt on Pope John Paul II in May 1981. The suspect received his passport from the Istanbul Security Department and left Turkey in March 1980, according to official records. A warrant was issued for his arrest ten months later.

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